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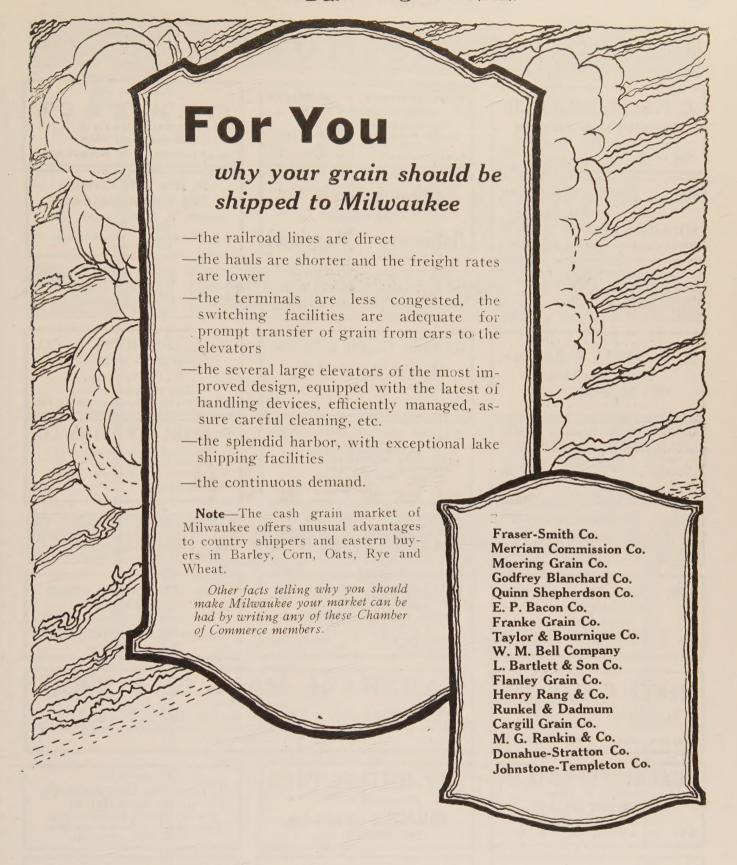
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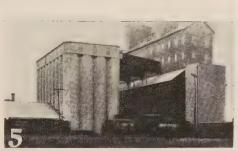
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	Bin	arehouse capacity (sacked),
	bus.	bus.
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John Wade & Sons, Inc	200,000	150,000
Union Elevator	200,000	50,000
Bluff City Grain Co		10,000
Davis & Andrews		40,000
Stout-Hunt Milling Co		50,000
Mississippi Elevator	80,000	
G. E. Patteson & Co	75,000	75,000
Buckeye Cotton Oil Co	50,000	20,000
Superior Feed Co	40,000	50,000
Pease & Dwyer	25,000	125,000
Royal Feed and Milling Co	25,000	100,000
		30,000
Sessum Coal & Grain Co	16,000	30,000
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Total storage	2,136,000	

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mixed feed in Memphis last year of 250,000	
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the twelve hour run capacity of Memphis M	lixed
Feed Manufacturers:*	
	tons
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	tons
Edgar-Morgan Co 200	tons
G. E. Patteson & Co 200	tons
	tons
Pease & Dwyer Grain Co 120	tons
	tons
Memphis Milling Co	tons
	tons
Southern Corn Mills 50	tons
Total daily production2,795	tons

^{*}Includes millfeeds and sweet feeds.

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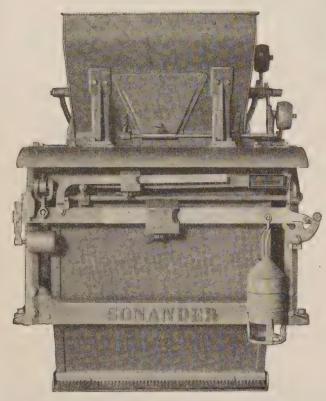
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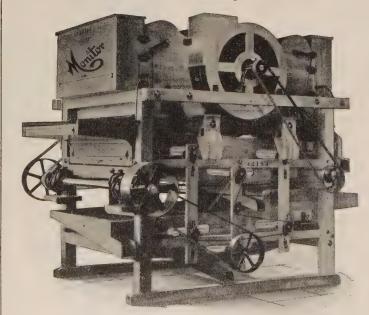
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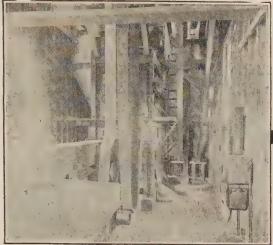
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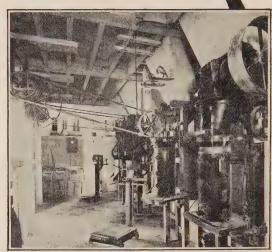
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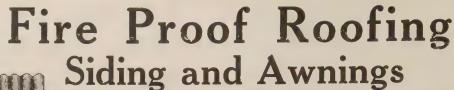
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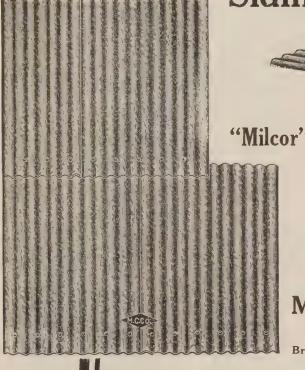
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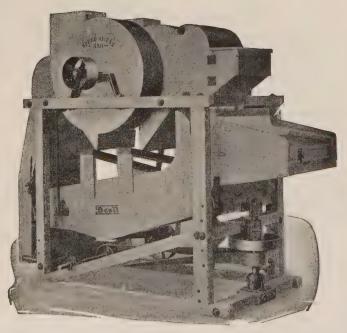
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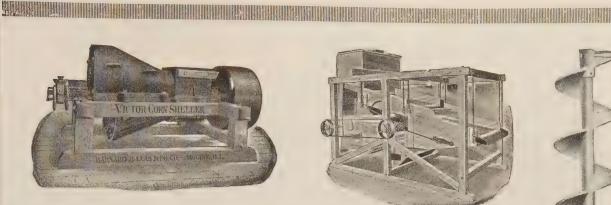


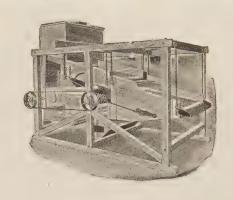
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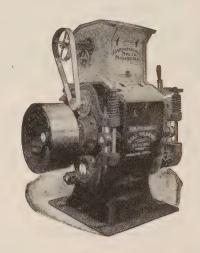
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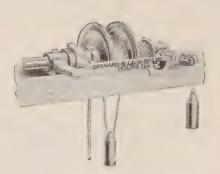
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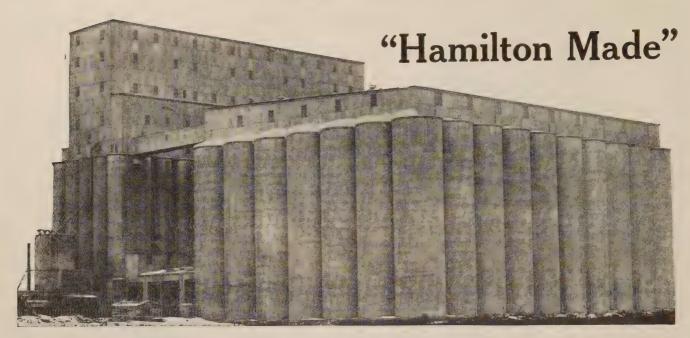
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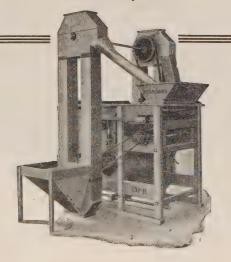
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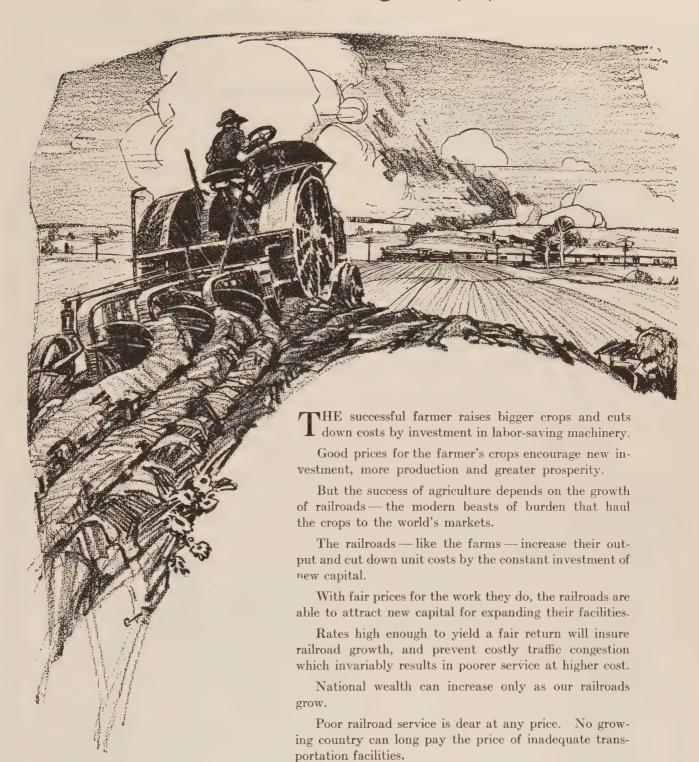
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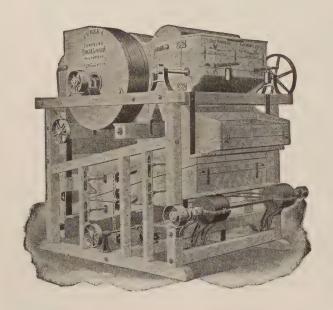


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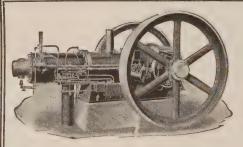
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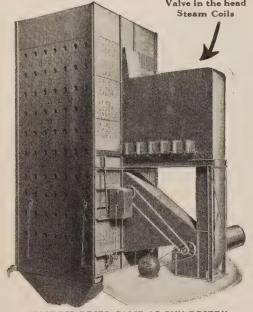


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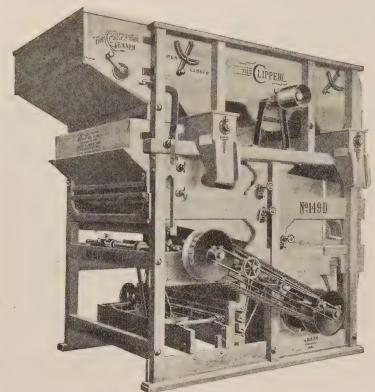
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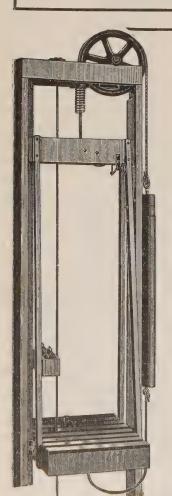
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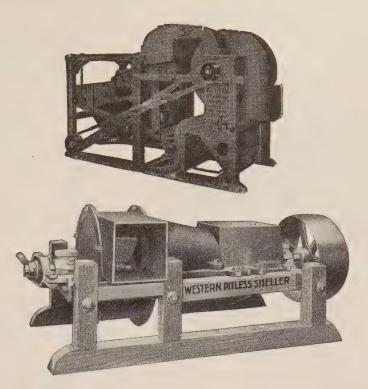
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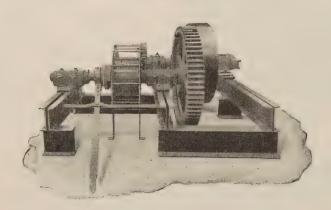
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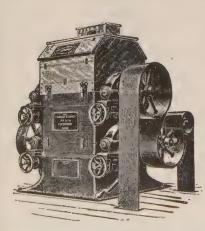


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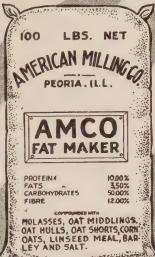
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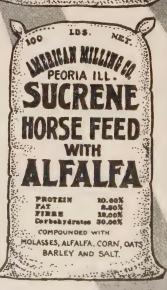
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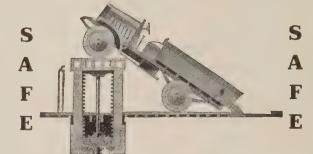




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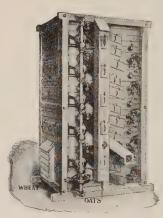
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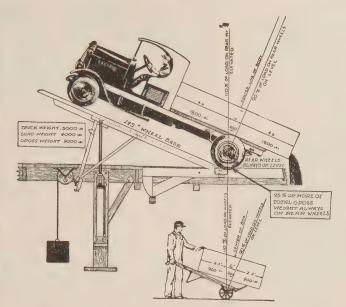
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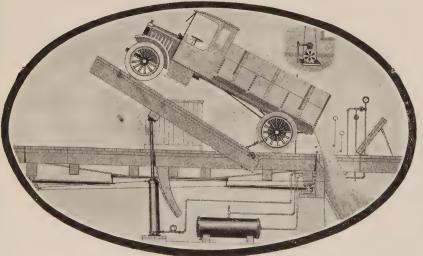
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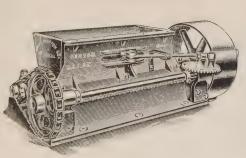
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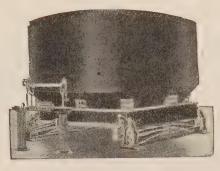
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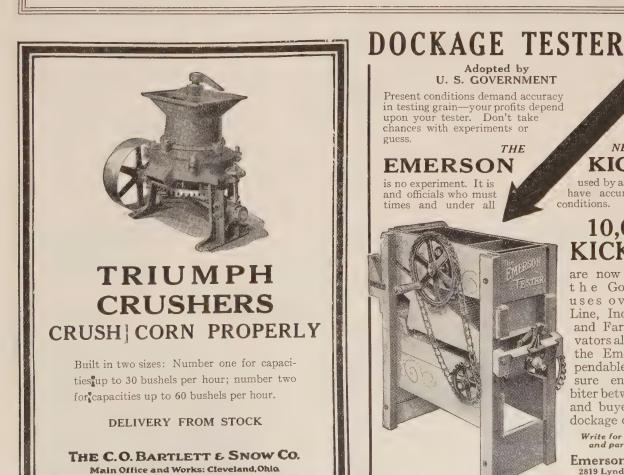
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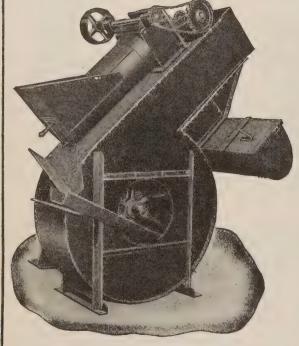
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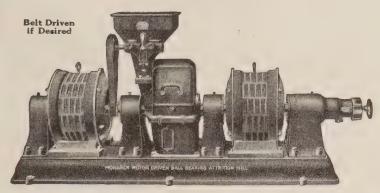


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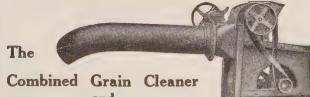
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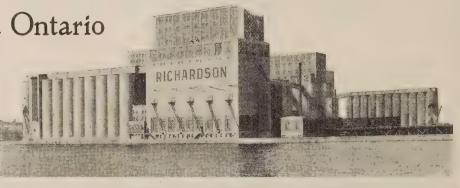
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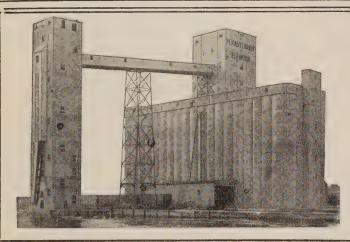
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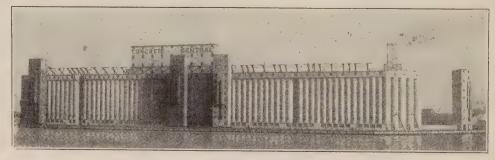
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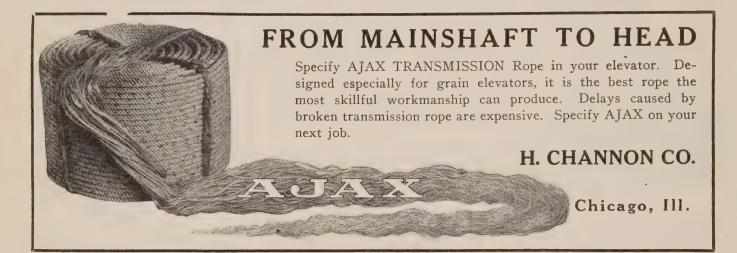
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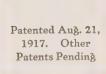


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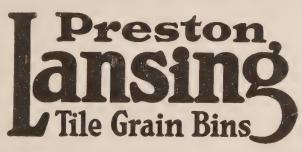
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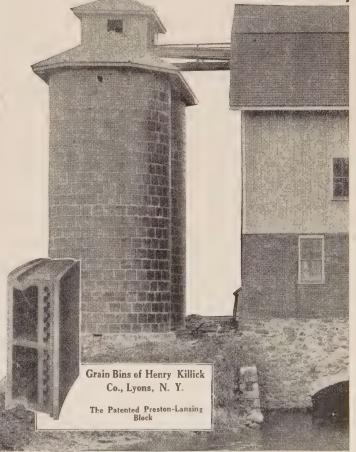
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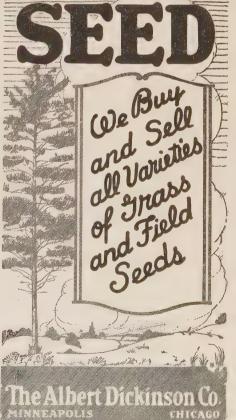
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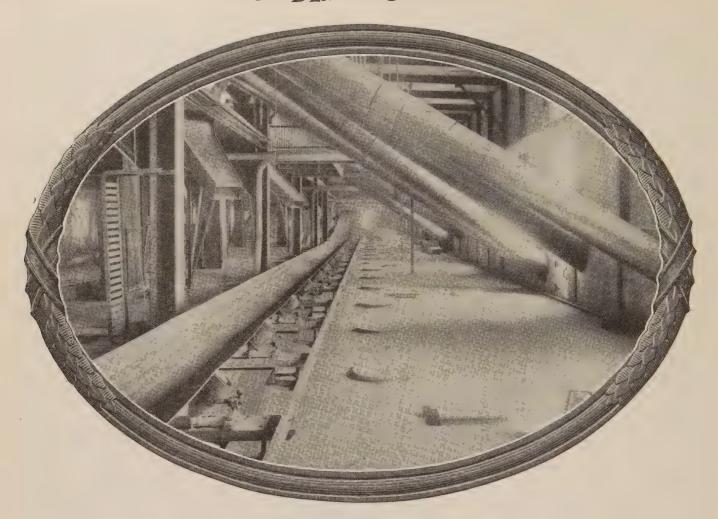
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CLOVER SEED has become so valuable many grain elevators are being broken into by thieves and dealers will suffer more loses during the next few months unless extra precautions are taken to protect their property.

A GRAIN DEALERS' jubilee in celebration of their deliverance from government regulation and restriction, June 1st, is suggested by the Secretary of the Indiana Ass'n. Every grain dealer will feel like flying then. Why not buy?

DUST EXPLOSIONS were more numerous during 1919 than any previous year and they will continue to be numerous and destructive unless those in charge of the operation of grain handling plants exercise greater care in removing dust, ventilating their working stories and in keeping lights and flames from all dusty atmosphere.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS of different varieties are to be found in ever increasing number in country grain elevators. Not only does this fire fighting apparatus increase the chance of fires being extinguished in their incipiency, but they give emphatic proof of the fact that the manager is actively interested in protecting the property from fire.

HESSIAN FLY reports indicate greater damage to winter wheat than for many years. Complaints are coming from all sections of the winter wheat belt. Not much complaint is being made of winter killing, but everyone seems to fear the result of the Hessian fly's work during the late fall. The April conddition report will be awaited with much anxiety.

AGITATION of trade troubles makes for ONLY four months more of Government permanent reform. Let us hear from you. interference with the wheat trade unless the

STERLING at \$3.55 does not spell heavy exports of foodstuffs from the United States to England.

FAIR PRICE COM'ITES who assume to to dictate to the country grain buyer what he shall pay for wheat have no official authorization by state or federal governments and should be ignored.

WHEN you see a car leaking grain make it your first duty to have it listed in the grain trade's *Hall of Shame*, that is our column devoted to reports of cars seen "Leaking Grain in Transit.

THIRTEENTH of January may prove to be an unlucky date for those dealers who have wheat on hand 45 days after the date of the Grain Corporation's announcement of the expiration of the agreement.

RYE is a small crop in the United States each year, compared with the immense crops of this cereal grown in Central Europe and Russia; and the prospect that southeastern Europe may be a shipper by reason of the removal of the economic blockade is no doubt a factor in the recent drop of 20 cents in the price.

MANY of the life long grain dealers who have been prompted by the spirit of unrest to get out of the regulated grain business are now longing to get back into the business they understand. The Grain Corporation will soon terminate its activities and the meddling Federal Trade Commission may be abolished so a lover of freedom may have a chance to enjoy business.

"WELCOME" is the cheery slogan painted over the entrance to the driveway of a large new elevator at Bruce, S. D. So many agittators are actively engaged these days in convincing farmers that the elevator manager is against them, that it behooves the manager to include in an extra effort to convince every farmer to the contrary, not by argument or claim, but by action. Make them feel welcome.

THE MONTANA Trade Commission's order requiring merchants to mark articles for sale with both the invoice and selling price has been killed by a decision of the United States Court at Helena holding the statute unconstitutional in so far as it empowers the Commission to fix prices. The same Commission is attempting to dictate to millers how much flour and feed they shall give in exchange for wheat or what toll shall be taken.

THE LONG list of advantages of building grain storage bins of fireproof material was swelled one more last week, when a large cribbed elevator at Denver, containing over 200,000 bushels of wheat, was saved from destruction by large concrete tanks which had been built between the wood elevator and the mill which was burned. Evidently the owners built the tanks between the two wood buildings for the specific purpose of providing a fire wall, and when the fire came, they were not disappointed.

ONLY four months more of Government interference with the wheat trade unless the apathy of the wheat handlers encourage the politicians to extend Government control for another year. Wheat handlers who have convictions on Government regulation should not hesitate to communicate frequently with their representatives in Congress.

THE BROTHERHOOD of Railway Trainmen has announced that it would soon issue an ultimatum to the U. S. Railroad Administration demanding certain wage increases. All trainmen are already greatly overpaid and many of them are dong little or nothing for what they receive. Unwarranted increases in the cost of transportation is the greatest contributor to the people's h. c. 1.

SAMPLE BOXES or drawers are now being built in many driveways for the purpose of keeping type samples close at hand for the guidance and assistance of buyers in classifying their purchases. The elevator man who carelessly spouts each load of grain into any bin affording room for it, is no longer entitled to a place in the house. Today purchases of any kind of grain must be carefully and intelligently classified, if the grain is to be bought right and sold at a profit.

EXPERIMENTS in killing weevil and other insects infesting grain and grain products through the use of electrical sterilizing apparatus, has not proved successful; however, elevator operators who have raised the temperature of weevil infested grain to 120 degrees, are enabled to remove all weevil from the grain with a light blast of air. Inasmuch as heat kills the larva as well as the live weevil, no further trouble is experienced from the insects previously destroying the grain, or their progeny. The loss suffered annually as the result of the destructive work of weevil, is surely sufficient to justify greater efforts in exterminating the pest.

FORGING bills of lading for the purpose of getting money from the banks is not always safe. Herman J. Blumson, ex-president of the Star Cereal & Mill Co., of Chicago, who adopted this means of swindling Chicago banks, was arrested upon his arrival in Johannesburg, and is now on his way back for trial. A few swindlers who have used shippers' orders Bs/L successfully, have made a safe get-away, and the wonder is more have not attempted to profit by such forgeries, because the practice of the railroads in giving out blank order Bs/L to whomsoever may ask for same, is a vicious practice. The railroads should be forbidden to give out blank Bs/L without being made responsible for them. All such bills should be numbered consecutively at each station where issued, and filled in, stamped and signed by the agent in ink. With such precautions, fewer bills would be forged. No railroad company would think of giving out passenger tickets until their money value was received, and not until it is received, do they ever date them with the station's dating stamp. Why not extend such protection to S/O Bs/L?

THE CHAIRMAN of the House Com'ite on Agriculture has been convinced by the visit of a com'ite of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n and the American Feed Manufacturers Ass'n that it is unfair to require manufacturers to divulge their trade secrets of composition of mixed feeds, and in any bill to be drawn up will be satisfied with a true statement of the valuable and fibrous ingredients in minimum and maximum percentages. This educational work by the trade com'ites was made easier by the fact that the same questions have been threshed out in 25 states which have already embodied in their laws the recommendations of the trade.

BUSINESS ETHICS is not entirely a new thought to grain association work, but Mr. Reimann in his address before the Indiana dealers, pointed out a higher opportunity for those engaged in the grain business, and we feel certain that his inspiring suggestions will find a ready response in the hearts and minds of many grain trade leaders. One of the most commendable works growing out of grain Assn work, is that the business throughout has been placed upon a much higher plane than it was in pre-association days, or that it could ever hope to be without the influence of the associations. All grain trade organizations have helped to make not only for better conditions, methods and customs in the business, but they have helped to raise the character standards of the men in the business.

THE TAX on freight charges looks to Internal Revenue Collector Roper, like a splendid opportunity to increase the Government revenue, and he has recently issued a ruling designed to enforce the payment of taxes on all back freight charges of grain for export, even though billed for export and stopped only for transferring from box car to ocean vessel. Everyone recognizes the rule as unreasonable and unfair, and no doubt a vigorous effort will be made to secure a different interpretation of the law by the courts. In the meantime shippers can minimize their liabilities by refusing to sell grain for export, except that buyers assume liabilities for any tax on the transportation charges, which the Government may hereafter be able to collect.

SHIPPERS and good citizens everywhere should give all encouragement possible to the conference com'ite of the House and Senate which is considering railroad legislation, to the end that a fair means be provided of adjusting labor troubles without strikes. The labor lobby is insisting on their right to quit work in a body and tie up the entire railroad system, and a few legislators are weak enough to yield. The policemen's strike in Boston was one lesson, and the electric light workers strike at Chicago last week was another. Here all the men walked out because they had not been consulted as to who should be their foreman, leaving the fires under the boilers untended and the city in darkness. The great mass of the American people will welcome the issue thus thrust upon them by the labor misleaders. The labor lobby will eventually succeed in convincing the people that the only way to assure continuous public service is to make it a criminal offense to strike.

THE FEDERAL Trade Commission must have burning ears all the time these days, for nearly every trade organization which convenes adopts resolutions or motions condemning some of the work or meddling policies of this useless subterfuge, for placing incompetents on the Government payroll.

THE GRAIN dealer who will not read of the experiences of his brother dealers must expect to be called upon for many annual contributions to the expense fund of the School of Daily Experience. Close reading and study of one's business problems is far less expensive and more profitable.

THE DISCOUNT rate has been advanced to 6% by the Federal Reserve Bank, so that Commercial Bankers will soon have to charge 6½ to 7% for money. This will crowd all holders of foodstuffs to market their products, and pay their notes, and this will of course increase the demand for cars.

FAIR PRICE COMMITTEES, an invention of the war, are now being used in several counties of western Kansas in an attempt to bulldoze local grain buyers into paying more for wheat than the Government basis price justifies. As is cited in our report of the recent meeting at Hays, Kansas, elsewhere in this number, the farmers are using this illadvised recommendation of the so called Fair Price Committee; however buyers experienced in the chances of the wheat market will not accept such dictation.

FIRE which starts in the cupola of an elevator can generally be directly attributed to friction in the elevator head. Two such fires -one in Texas, one in Michigan, are recorded in this number. While the cause is generally attributed to friction, the real cause is laziness upon the part of the man instructed to oil the bearings. Many elevator heads are equipped with shafting and bearings entirely too small for the work they are required to do. The load carried by a leg when engaged in elevating wheat all day long, gets to be quite burdensome, and even though large shafting and bearings be employed, ample lubrication is still essential to the reduction of friction.

ASSOCIATIONS of Grain Dealers in all sections of the country, report marked increases in the number of members. This reflects two things quite prominently; first, the Asociations are rendering a more efficient service to their members, and naturally attracting to their membership roll all progressive grain dealers who are disposed through desire or opportunity to give more intelligent attention to the problems of the grain trade. The work being done by the Associations is generally of the character that merits the hearty support of every grain dealer, because the organizations are making for better conditions, practices and customs, and through their arbitration committees are educating their members to a clearer conception of fair dealing. The rapid growth of the last year, should prompt the dealers of unorganized territory to get together.

REPORTS from builders and supply men indicate an early demand for grain elevator improvements, and some builders are confident 1920 will be a record year for grain elevator improvements long before snow flies; so it would seem to be up to dealers who propose to build or improve, to place their orders early.

MANY GRAIN exchanges have become so infected with the spirit of progress they are now planning handsome and commodious new quarters. Peoria, Milwaukee and Kansas City will soon start the erection of new homes that will be creditable monuments to the grain business. Fort Worth, Wichita and Hutchinson exchanges are also planning splendid improvements, while the Chicago Boards of Trade will delay the erection of its new building until materials and labor are obtainable at more reasonable figures.

THE RECEIVER of a telegram, according to a decision of an Indiana court quoted in "Supreme Court Decisions," this number, is not bound by the contract between sender and telegraph company limiting its liability to the amount of the toll received for the service. Evidently the telegraph companies are determined to avoid all their responsibilities to their customers if possible, and will fight in the courts any claim holding them liable for damages for error or delay. Such a stand makes for inefficient and unreliable service, so it behooves every careful grain merchant to codify all telegrams and immediately confirm by mail, thereby reducing the chance for loss due to error or delay on the part of the telegraph company.

Stopping Shortages by Correcting Causes.

The long continued fight of all organized markets against shortages in grain shipments, and the persistent efforts to learn the cause of each shortage and take steps to prevent a repetition of such loss of grain, is most commendable, and it is this honest effort on the part of the various organized markets to protect the property of the grain shipper against wanton waste, which makes the market safer and more attractive to the average shipper.

Not only have weighing facilities been greatly improved during recent years, but the scale inspectors of the various markets, through their many conferences have become posted regarding the leaks which commonly result in loss of shippers grain. These defects are being corrected, and the Exchanges are even going into the matter of transportation in a way that must eventually force the careless carrier to pay every grain shortage claim without hesitation.

The various reports of the trade on leaking cars, and the many defects in the cars commonly tendered grain shippers for the transportation of their property has removed most of the doubts as to the real causes of shortages in grain shipments. When the carriers exercise the careful supervision of box cars and grain loading given by the Santa Fe, the trade will experience a delightful reduction in shortages and loss controversies.

Getting Box Cars.

The scarcity of cars has so interfered with the marketing of grain by farmers in many different sections, that in Indiana and western Kansas we find them very much aroused. They wish to realize on their grain and pay their bills, and of course the elevator operators would be very glad to accommodate them, but at many stations the elevators are full of grain, and few if any cars are obtainable. Some of the banks are also calling for their money.

The U. S. Railroad Administration has made many promises of freight cars, but the cars are not forthcoming in such a condition or number as to relieve the congestion. The Grain Corporation in the hope of crowding grain onto the market, has asked for an amendment to its agreement with all licensees so as to permit the discontinuance of payment of storage on wheat held in country elevators. The Grain Corporation is moving large quantities of wheat from central storehouses, so there will soon be plenty of storage room to accommodate all the grain now delayed at country stations; but first of all transportation facilities must be provided.

The poor service being rendered by the U. S. Railroad Administration may be intended as a hint that higher rates of freight are necessary in order to get the service needed; however, the fact remains that the service rendered is the poorest rendered the shipping public for many years, and shippers generally are agreed that the delays and poor service have added greatly to the cost of doing business. If investigation proves that efficient transportation cannot be supplied at existing rates, it would work a great economy to business generally and especially to the grain trade, to increase the rates to a point where the railroads will be operated efficiently.

Some traffic officials insist that we must expect inefficiency and waste so long as the Government is in control of the operation of the railroads; while that is no doubt true, it will take many months for the railroads to get rid of numberless incompetent and unnecessary employees, and to re-organize their working force upon an efficient basis. railroads carried the freight traffic of the country before the war at rates much below the present schedule, with less waste and delay, and we doubt not that experienced traffic officials will be able to work great improvement within a few months, unless the Government takes steps to encourage the Railway Brotherhoods to tighten the stranglehold given them by the Adamson eight hour law.

The patience of the shipping public is wellnigh exhausted, producers are up in arms and consumers will also rise up unless steps are soon taken to effect relief of the congestion of transportation facilities. High interest charges will soon wipe out any profits would-be shippers may have in grain; they must have cars or the sheriff will get them. Some Indiana shippers have secured cars by wiring to their representatives in Congress as well as to the Director General of Railroads, and in this way they have pushed the local car distributors to action. To get cars today, the would-be shipper must vigorously and

vigilantly pursue everyone who has an ounce of influence, with letters and telegrams.

The Western Grain Rate Re-Adjust-

Perhaps no decision ever given by the Interstate Commerce Commission will have an effect so far-reaching as that of Commissioner Woolley published on pages 164 and 165 of this number.

The new grain rates that will be published in compliance with this opinion will take from and add to the territory tributary to the different markets. So far it seems clear that Milwaukee and Chicago will be strengthened and Minneapolis will lose by the change in rates which grew out of the 25 per cent rate advance due to the war.

Too many rate schedules, particularly those prepared many years ago by railroad managements, have been a hodge-podge of compromise between conflicting interests with more or less financial, political or individual influence. That the Commission in this opinion seems to be deciding several different questions on the basis of the principle involved is encouraging; as, if a principle is just, its application should work out impartially to all markets

Altho this opinion will adversely affect its vested interests the city of Minneapolis will always be one of the world's greatest wheat markets because of its great flour mills and the many interior mills dependent upon it for supplies.

Overloading Cars by Government Order.

Complying with a recommendation issued from the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and the U. S. Railroad Administration a Texas shipper loaded 91,400 lbs. of corn in a 60,000-lb. capacity car, by filling the car to within 24 inches of the roof. The car was accepted by the railroad company, but the connecting line refused to handle car and transferred corn into two different cars, because of alleged overloading.

On account of the delay the buyer made claim against shipper for \$180 damages and was awarded \$114.25 by the arbitration com'ite.

This loss, growing out of a good faith compliance with recommendations of a government authority is an example of the results of government interference with private business. It is small satisfaction to a shipper who has tried to follow the instructions of these meddlers to be told by the Executive Com'ite of the Ass'n that he has a claim for \$114.25 against the railroad company whose agent accepted the overloaded car for shipment at point of origin, on the ground that the agent ought not to have accepted the car. Just how much standing in court a shipper would have who brot suit against a railroad company for accepting a car loaded by the shipper himself is a problem that can be solved only by such clever chaps as compose the Federal Trade Commission.

Business men who believe in and enjoy being regulated and restricted by pinhead politicians shud get their views before the Congressional Com'ite now investigating the Federal Trade Commission.

To Recover Loss Due to Government Price Fixing.

Grain dealers in many other states will view with approval the steps being taken by a com'ite of the Texas Grain Dealers' Ass'n to recover the loss sustained by dealers who had wheat in store when the government ruined the milling market by putting down the buying price to \$2.18 delivered.

This wheat had cost dealers in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and some other states, \$2.60 and up per bushel.

It is hoped that dealers in Texas will give their com'ite proper co-operation in the presentation of facts. The method of procedure worked out by the Texas com'ite may serve as a model for dealers elsewhere.

The basis taken by the com'ite to establish the loss is the first sale made after Aug. 11, 1917, by each dealer.

Millers were guaranteed 25 cents per barrel profit. Railroads, telefone and telegraf companies and labor organizations were guaranteed their pre-war standard of profits. It is not too much to ask the government at the least to pay the grain men their losses due solely to government interference, with prices.

1919 Accidents.

The alarming increase in the loss of life due to preventable accidents has resulted in increased activity on the part of the National Safety Council, the Secretary of which reports that over 80,000 men, women and children were killed in the U. S. last year through accidents.

We know that more men lost their lives in grain elevators last year than any previous year of record. Most of the casualties were due to grain dust explosions; however, the fact remains that the figures are appalling, and it is the first duty of the living to inaugurate and vigorously conduct safety campaigns, which shall effect a marked reduction in the great number of disastrous accidents.

Every grain elevator man who stops to think, knows full well that many of the accidents in and about his elevator, could have been prevented had precautions been taken to correct the known dangers. Much of the moving machinery has long since been well guarded in many industrial plants, but the carelessness of workmen in removing the guards, and treating moving machinery with contemptuous disregard, continues to take a large daily toll of human lives.

The living all admit this is unnecessary and a crime against humanity, but the slaughter continues. The only remedy lies in the eternal vigilance of both employer and employee. Known hazards must be removed, corrected, guarded and the workmen protected against such accidents.

SCALES seldom get the attention needed if the report of the Indiana Weights & Measure Dept. is a fair indication of the condition of all wagon and truck scales. Out of 1000 wagon and truck scales tested last year 25% were found to be in accurate. The losses you suffer owing to incorrect weights obtained on your own scales are not repairable, but the scales are.

Letters

[Here is the grain dealers' forum for the dis-cussion of grain trade problems, practices and meeded reforms. When you have anything to say of interest to mambars of the grain trade, send it to the Journal for publication. It may draw out the views of others.]

Cars Fail to Materialize.

Grain Dealers Journal: The much advertised plans to put large numbers of empty grain cars thruout the Middle West to relieve the acute shortage, has apparently failed to materialize.

A letter from one of our friends in Western Illinois, tells us that the road he is on has been using in that territory box cars for handling ice; which in his opinion should have been distributed to shippers for grain loading.

The Railroad Administration has ordered that preference be given to loading wheat bought of the Grain Corporation so it can be shipped to mills who are badly in need of it to Many available empties are in bad order, so everything considered, the outlook is not very bright for the movement of any particular volume of coarse grains to market centers.—W. H. Perrine & Co., Chicago, Ill.

More Car Shortage.

Grain Dealers Journal: Under the present railroad system we are able to get only two cars a month, consequently we have had from 15,000 to 18,000 bus. of wheat in the elevator for the last five months.

On account of this condition farmers in general in our territory have purchased trucks. Now thousands of bushels of wheat are passing thru our little city going distances of from 20 to 30 miles. The mills seem to be favored by the railroad.

This condition exceedingly hurts business in

our community.

I have done all in my power to get cars; but, like all others, have accomplished little.

Country buyers have been doing their best

yet have been abused in many instances. We have 152 stockholders that wanted to deliever 300,000 bus. of wheat to this elevator All except 75,000 bushels have been forced to other houses. We therefore have been compelled to buy wheat from the farmer on a wider margin than we would have taken under normal conditions. All we can do is our

Speaking for many country buyers, I can truthfully say that conditions have been and

continue to be very unsatisfactory.

We still live in hopes and expect a speedy recovery from these trying times.—Ira Rankin, mgr. Kinsley Grain and Lumber Co., Kinsley, Kan.

Real Need of Indexed Compilation of All Arbitration Decisions.

Grain Dealers Journal: All arbitration decisions rendered by National Ass'n Arbitra-tion Boards should be printed on good paper of the same size and color so they could easily be inserted in a loose leaf binder properly indexed and cross-indexed and classified for quick reference.

In our opinion 90% of the grain dealers of the United States would subscribe to issues of these decisions and keep a loose leaf binder for holding these decisions and classifying them for ready reference. We believe the grain dealers would be willing to pay an extra good price for them. We be-lieve it would be the means of causing more grain dealers to get better posted and keep out of trouble. They would refer to these decisions quite often in order to play safe

in their trades; they would refer to these decisions before going into arbitration cases to see whether or not it might be better to settle at once and save the arbitration fee and time and trouble in preparing their case.

While it seems there has been more or less talk every year for several years about doing something of this kind, we think there should be some action. If thru the columns of your paper you can start something or do something to help put this thing over, we know a great many grain dealers will join us in a vote of thanks for your trouble in the matter. Yours truly, Strong Trading Company, Wichita, Kan.

Clear Freight Tariffs and Equitable Rates Needed.

Grain Dealers Journal: Who will be the first to let prices down, or are they up to

The railroads have doubtless been the most influential factor under Government management, reducing the work days to eight hours, equivalent to a corresponding reduction of 20% in railroad men-population, and setting the basis for other classes of labor. Production is therefore decreasing and consumption going full 100%.

To the Grain Man the railroad problems have been enormous, numerous, and terribly complicated, as well as oftimes being ruin-When the Government turns the railroads loose, we reasonably may expect many

more changes.

Is it possible to get the number of tariffs reduced with fewer exceptions; with more-permanency and fewer amendments with Grain, Hay, Seeds and Feed publications, un-mixed with Sauer Kraut, Feathers, Scrap Iron, &c.?

Is it possible to have established by law, rate quoting agencies, conveniently located regionally, whose quotations would bind the

interested?

When the General Freight Offices disagree as to meaning of Tariffs, is it fair to expect shippers to understand them?

Any number of cases can be cited proving conclusively the foregoing implied charge.

Then as to equipment. In the writers 30 years experience the railroads have never been able to handle an ordinary crop expeditiously. Ought not carriers be compelled to provide necessary equipment to move crops with less delay even if higher rates are necessary? Freight charges are frequently of secondary importance.

Much of it would be idle perhaps half the time, but so are threshers, gins, oil mills, compresses and many other industries, which arrange to handle certain commodities expedi-

tiously at proper time.

Ought not water rates for railroads be cut ut? Let Steam Boats and Ships do the work if shippers want the low rates unprofitable to railroads and charged to other business? For instance 6c per cwt. on Grain from Memphis, Tenn., to Mobile, Ala., and several times as much to many intermediate points. Many such inconsistencies.

Other rates are also grossly uneven. From here to Kansas City on Corn, 34½c. To Chicago 43c, or 8½c from K. C. to Chicago, about ¼ as much for about same distance.
From here to Lake Charles, La., 31c. Same

New Orleans, about double the distance. Kansas City Group Points to Louisiana points 31c, same as from here; 5c balance from here to Galveston on Interstate business, 24c on the Intra-State.

Would like for some expert railroad man to harmonize these apparent inequalities.

We think railroad officials should be paid adequate salaries, but some of them look mighty big for non-competitive (as far as rates are concerned) business.

But above all, we need efficient service in all departments.—Yours truly, J. A. Hughes Grain Co., Howe, Tex.

Co. Grain Dealers Journal:

The former manager of an elevator which I managed at Barber, Mont., ran the Farmers Elevator Co. \$27,000 in the hole. I lost my job there when the mortgage was foreclosed Apr. 10, 1919.

Clever Directors of Farmers Elevator

A peculiar legal point has arisen with regard to the liability of the directors of the farmers company who all had signed up per-sonally on notes for the above amount, and this case will come up next March or April at Roundup, Mont.

All of those directors who were financially responsible turned their farms into a corporation and employed themselves as managers to get away from having their property attached. Whether this will stick or not the court decision will tell.—W. A. Clark, Whitetail, Mont.

Box Car Equipment.

Grain Dealers Journal: It is my candid opinion that no relief is to be expected from the railroad administration in the matter of furnishing box car equipment and no improvement can be hoped for until the roads are

turned back to private ownership.

To illustrate: When the government took charge of the railroads, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe system had the largest supply of box car equipment of any road in the west, and practically all of this equipment was in good physical condition. Santa Fe officials assert that about the time the 1919 wheat crop was ready to move they were ordered to turn large part of this equipment over to foreign lines, and instead of same being returned to them, the equipment that was returned, was in such physical condition that repairs were necessary before being fit to handle bulk

On Friday, Jan. 16, an order was made by the Railroad Administration to utilize from 50 to 70% of cars reaching terminal markets where government owned wheat was stored and later, sold to millers, for the purpose of delivering this wheat to the millers holding warehouse receipts. There is approximately 12,000,000 bushels of this wheat in store at the large primary markets and the taking over of the limited supply of equipment obtainable for the purpose of moving this wheat out of to the mills, will further restrict the use of cars to relieve country elevators.-E. J. Smiley, sec'y Kansas Grain Dealers Ass'n, Topeka, Kan.

Farmers Holding Corn.

Grain Dealers Journal: Not much is doing the country at this time. Old "Farmer in the country at this time. Old "Farmer John" as a representative of the whole community comes into the office each day, saying he's here to find out just how far off the Corn King is (in his opinion) on the price of this and other cereals that the poor and hardworking farmer works night and day to raise so the unappreciative dealer and public may not starve.

I get busy and look over all the office and finally find my little price card and tell him in a polite and easy way just what the mar-

"What, is that all? Why, they are paying more than that in Chicago, just delivered there. I'll be darned if I sell for that, and what's more, this darned concern won't ever

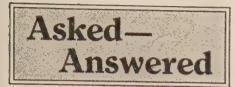
get one more kernel of my grain. But, say, do you think the price is going up?"

I would like to reply, "You know, I don't," but I wouldn't dare say that. I do say, "If I really knew I would soon make enough money to follow these special shipments, now gone

from this dry country.'

"Well, anyway, I won't sell for that. I'll just hold on and take less money if I have to."
So I, for one, have just decided that the next time old Farmer John comes in I'll just ask him what the market is instead of him

asking me. I think in that way we could get on better and probably do more business with each other. There is quite a lot of corn here yet and not moved or moving. They are all Johns and waiting for more money.—L. L. LaDue, Castana, Ia.



[Readers who fall to find information desired on any subject of interest to grain dealers should send us their query for free publication here. The experience of your brother dealers is worth consulting. Replies to queries are solicited.]

To Generate or Buy Electric Current?

Grain Dealers Journal: Will readers of the Journal please inform us thru Asked-Answered column whether it would be more practical to produce your own current or to buy it from a power company at 6 cents per kilowatt hour, using about 3,000 kilowatt hours per month?

We would like to hear from any country elevator man using a crude oil engine of about 75 h.p. direct connected to a generator to run a feed mill and grain elevator having individual motors.—G. Lee Barnes, sec'y Three Rivers Co-operative Ass'n, Three Rivers.

Diagram of Cash and Future Grain Prices?

Grain Dealers Journal: In the November Journal we observed an interesting diagram comparing the prices of cash corn and oats and the future delivery by weeks.

Can the Journal furnish a similar diagram showing the rise and fall of the markets up to the end of 1919.—The Early & Daniel Co., Cincinnati. O.

Ans.: A continuation of this cash grain fluctuation chart appeared in the Journal Dec. 10, page 1021; Dec. 25, page 1110. and the current number contains elsewhere the diagram up to date, Jan. 10, 1920.

The present chart is based on the May delivery, the earlier diagrams embraced the cash and December delivery.

Cars Leaking at Different Markets.

Grain Dealers Journal: In the Nov. 25, 1919, issue of the Grain Dealers Journal, on page 931, are given some figures regarding leaking cars arriving at Chicago, Milwaukee and Peoria during the months of July, August, September and October, this year. We wonder if the Journal has available the same facts regarding the number of leaking cars arriving at Minneapolis, Omaha, Kansas City and St. Louis. If so we would appreciate having them—H. R. Miller, mgr. Richardson Scale Co., Omaha, Neb.

Ans.: Cars arriving showing evidence at destination of having leaked in transit are reported, for Minneapolis on page 845 of Nov. 10; and for other terminal markets on page 928 of Nov. 25, and page 1019 of Dec. 10 numbers of the Journal

Verbal Contracts to Buy Farmers' Grain Knocked Out.

Grain Dealers Journal: We notice an item in the last number of the Journal to the effect that we had lost our suit in the District Court against Elmer Groat, sueing for breach of contract. The facts in the case are: Mr. Groat on the stand under oath testified that he had sold us the grain in question for ten days delivery. He contended that if we had a right to cancel the contract at the expiration of the ten days he also had the same right. The jury decided that he had, and that the

contract expired at the end of ten days. the end of ten days the market had advanced 10c per bushel and we found we were holding the sack. It looks to us as if a verbal contract is worthless even when proven by witnesses.—Respectfully, Farmers Elevator Co., T. A. Pfund, Mgr., Badger, Ia.

Editor's Note: To make an oral contract good in Iowa it is necessary to deliver part of the merchandise or to pay part of the purchase price. Proof by witnesses is of no avail. The price. Proof by w Iowa law provides:

Iowa code 1897: Sec. 425. Statute of frauds—contract in writing. Except when otherwise specially provided no evidence of the following enumerated contracts is competent, unless it be in writing, and is signed by the party charged or his agent. 1. Those in relation to the sale of personal property, when no part of the property is delivered and no part of the price paid.

Capacity of Car Ordered.

Grain Dealers Journal: Supposing I have a small quantity of grain to ship and that when I order a 50,000-lb. car the agent advises me they have no such car do I have to hold my grain until I can load a larger car, or does the railroad company have to furnish me with a car for what grain I have?-J. E. Duncan, Lamberton, Minn.

Ans.: The C. & N.-W. on which Lamberton is situated owns 1,280 box cars of 50,000 lbs, capacity; and if it chooses not to furnish any of these the railroad company has the privilege of furnishing a larger car, one of the numerous 60,000-lb. cars. When such larger car is supplied on an order for a smaller one the shipper is chargeable with the minimum that he could have gotten into the car ordered. To protect himself from an overcharge he should have noted on the B/L "60,000 capacity car furnished for 50,000 capacity car ordered."

Recovery for Delay.

Grain Dealers Journal: On March 22, 1918, we loaded with oats CPR 128398, and consigned to the Urmston Grain Co. at Buffalo, N. Y., with instructions to sell immediately on arrival. This car arrived in Buffalo April 2, 1918, at which time oats (3 whites) were worth 96 cents per bushel. This car was not located for sampling for 15 days, piling up demurrage against us to the amount of demurrage against us to the amount of \$92.70, which amount we were only able to collect by assistance of the Journal on Dec. 10, 1919. This car was sold for our account on April 17 at 84 cents per bushel. We wish to know if it is possible for us to collect the loss in value of this car, amounting to about \$200—G. W. Shepard & Son, Christiansburg C. burg. O.

Ans.: The railroad company is liable in damages for the delay; and the measure of damages is the difference in the value when the shipment arrived and when it ought to have arrived. Claim agents are reluctant to pay damages for delay and will often stand suit rather than pay. Their argument is that if the price had advanced during the delay the shipper would have pocketed the profit. This is no legal defense, and the carrier can be compelled to make good loss due to arrival long after the customary time in transit. The same rule applies to delay in locating car for sampling.

As reported in the Grain Dealers Journal Vol. 42, page 409, the Supreme Court of New York on Jan. 24, 1919, gave Louis Meyer judgment against the New York Central for a similar case of delay at destination. A car of beans arrived at New York Sept. 25, but the railroad failed to give buyer notice of arrival until Nov. 5. This case also was reported in 174 N. Y.

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The Supreme Court of Minnesota, as reported in the Journal Vol. 42, page 413, gave the National Elevator Co. judgment against the Great Northern on account of delay in moving a car of wheat from Baker, Minn., to Sandstone, Minn., taking 8 days, when the usual time is 2 to 4 days. The court gave shipper damages for decline in market value.

The Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court gave the Burns Grain Co. judgment against the Erie Railroad Nov. 20, 1918, for delay in moving a car of corn from Buffalo to Port Jervis, as reported in the Journal Vol. 42, page 57, holding that carrier's defense that delay was due to congestion was no defense, as carrier knew of the congestion when it accepted the shipment and failed to notify shipper it was subject to delay. The foregoing

three cases are fully reported in the Journal. Following are the syllabi of some other cases in which the shipper got judgment.

Carrier Liable for Delay.—A shipment having been accepted for transportation without notice to the shipper that there was a shortage of cars and an unprecedented amount of business, the carrier should be held liable for damages for unreasonable delay.—M., K. & T. Ry. v. Early-Clement Grain Co. Court of Civil Appeals of Texas. 124 S. W. 1015.

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Carrier Liable for Delay Durifig Decline in Market Price.—A carrier is liable for loss on the value of property intrusted to it for transportation, which results from a decline in the market price pending the carrier's negligent delay in forwarding the consignment to its destination.—Jett & Brooks v. Southern Ry. Co. Supreme Court of Tennessee. 169 S. W. 767.

The Elevator and Its Surroundings

By A. V. CHAPMAN

Country elevator managers have the opportunity of being of distinct service to their community by taking the lead in the upkeep and appearance of their plants. Too many elevators are a liability, rather than an asset, to the town so far as looks are considered. Too many betray a slipshod and rundown appearance; lacking in paint, boards and shingles loose, litter scattered around and rubbish collected. The elevator usually is a prominent object. Nearly always situated near a railroad track, a poorly kept elevator may give an impression to passengers in the train that the town really does not deserve.

Going a step farther, it requires no great investment of time or money to convert an elevator site into an asset in the general up-keep of the town. A little labor in keeping rubbish cleared away, a small investment in paint and repair work and regular attention to neatness of the premises will result in a general improvement out of proportion to the cost. Much of the work may be done by regular employees in a slack time, with practically no increase in the expense account. All that is required is a little interest and attention.

Between an elevator kept in good repair, well painted and neat in appearance, and one run down and gone to seed there can be no difference of opinion. It is a matter of value, as well of sentiment. Property kept in repair so it is good to look at, is better maintained and shows less depreciation than that property that shows signs of neglect. Keeping things in repair is largely a matter of habit. If the work is attended to regularly and not allowed to get behind, no great effort is involved. It is altogether in the mental attitude of the owner or manager,

Sooner or later a "clean-up week" or improvement drive is likely to strike any town. The elevator may be in advance of the movement and an example to others, or it may be in a condition to reflect discredit to its surroundings. It is far better for its owners to be ahead of the procession than a little behind.

Chas. A. Prouty, who resigned as director of the division of accounting, has become an advisory member of the staff of the Director General of Railroads.

CORN BREEDERS will be interested in the January Bulletin No. 184 of the South Dakota Experiment Station at Brookings, giving the yields from two systems of breeding.

THE AMOUNT of seed to be planted per acre differs in different parts of the United States. Corn in New England take 8 to 12 quarts; in the central states 6 quarts on the average

COUNTY AGENTS can depend upon the hearty support of grain dealers everywhere, so long as they confine their efforts to the im-provement of agricultural methods; but the minute they attempt to broaden the scope of their activities so as to encourage or assist producers to engage in commercial lines, they can no longer expect either the moral or financial support of local merchants.

Crop Reports

Reports on the acreage, condition and yield of grain and field seeds, as well as on the movement to country markets, are always welcome. Let us hear from you.

CANADA.

Toronto, Ont.—The final crop reports for this province as given by the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture are as follows: Fall Wheat: This is relatively the best grain crop of the season, both as regards average yield per acre and weight per bu., and it is the only standard cereal crop with a normal length of straw. There were a few complaints of smut. Total yield for 1920, 15,051,703 bus.; compared with 7,054,845 bus. in 1918. Spring Wheat: While this crop bus. in 1918. Spring Wheat: While this crop has shown an increased acreage this season, the yield and quality of the grain have not been satisfactory. The drouth is given as the chief cause. Total yield 5,646,544 bus. against 8,186,191 bus. in 1918. Barley: Fuller reports regarding the quality of barley are not any more encouraging than those given in the August bulletin. The sample as a rule is light in weight, and the straw is very short in length. Taking the crop The sample as a rule is light in weight, and the straw is very short in length. Taking the crop altogether, the season has been one of the poorest for years. Total yield 13,133,757 bus.; compared with 24,247,673 bus. in 1918. Oats: This crop, which has a much larger area than all the other cereals combined, also has been a disappointment, owing largely to the July drouth. The grain as a rule is below weight, and the straw, which has good feeding value. is unusually short. Rust and grasshoppers were also complained of in some quarters. Total yield 78,388,018 bus., compared with 13,752,601 bus. in 1918. Rye: Where grown for grain winter rye did well, the quality being scored as from fair to good, and the yield per acre being about an average. Total yield 2,219,342 bus. compared with 1,812,909 bus. in 1918.—W. O. Galloway, Director of Statistics and Publications.

ILLINOIS.

Cloverdale, Ill., Jan. 14.—Oats and barley crop hort; most of it being fed to cattle and hogs. -Erwin H. Franzen.

Verona, Ill., Jan. 7.—General conditions good. Very little wheat around here this year.—Ch N. Bonges, Mgr., Verona Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 20.—In some of the extreme southern counties wheat has been injured by freezing and thawing.—Clarence J. Root, meteorologist, U. S. Dept. of Agri.

Olive Branch, Ill., Jan. 16.—Condition of coming wheat crop not promising; about 2/3 acreage sown in this vicinity; a normal yield would only be 100,000 bus. Have no snow here and ground is bare, but the constant change, freez-ing at night and thawing out the next day will damage the seed area and it is a safe bet that ½ of a crop can be counted for 1920 .-

INDIANA.

Cowan, Ind., Jan. 10 .- Wheat acreage 75% of last year; looks like a good stand but small; well covered now by snow.—S. C. Herman.

Huntington, Ind., Jan. 15.—Fly has badly infested early sown wheat. Much will be plowed up and sown to oats.—W. E. Whitaker, Wasmuth Grain Co.

New Point, Ind., Jan. 15.—Small acreage of wheat; have had bad frosts. Early wheat so wheat; have had bad frosts. Early wheat so badly damaged by fly that most will be plowed up and sown to oats.—John J. Puttermann.

KANSAS.

Nortonville, Kan., Jan. 10.—Our wheat acreage has been cut 20%. Came out from under the December snow in good shape and is now covered again .- Douglas Grain Co.

Halstead, Kan., Jan. 25.-Wheat in very poor condition; just coming up and covered with a film of ice which will do it no good.—R. M. Todd. mgr, Farmers Grain, Stock and Merc. Co.

Hutchinson, Kan., Jan. 23.-The condition the growing wheat is fair to satisfactory, altho the plant does not show the excellent growth of last January. It is too early for complaints of winter killing to begin coming in, but it is not believed there has been enuf cold weather to cause much loss. The acreage is considerably below last year, but it is not impossible for this decreased acreage to produce a crop equal in volume and better than 1919 in quality.—Cal.

MICHIGAN.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 8.—The winter wheat crop of 1919 was one of the best ever grown in the State. The acreage was the largest since the State. The acreage was the largest since 1915, and the average yield per acre, 20.3 bus, was the largest except that of 1915, in the last 15 years. The total production was also the largest except that of 1915 in the same period of time, being 19,295,000 bus. This record production was the result of unusually favorable condition thruout the growing season. The winter was mild, and the abandoned acreage from winter-killing was exceptionally small. winter-killing was exceptionally small.

amount of wheat purchased by mills and elvtrs. during the month of December is estimated at 1,190,000 bus. The amount bot since Aug. 1 is 7,810,000 bus. During the past 4 years the acreage of spring wheat has increased from a few thousand acres to 85,000. While the yield was 18.0 bus. in 1918, it was only 11.2 bus. in 1919. The estimated production for the past season is 952,000 bus. Rye acreage has shown a remarkable increase, being 900,000 acres for 1919, compared with 325,ing 900,000 acres for 1919, compared with 325,-000 acres in 1916. At 15 bus, per acre the total yield was 13,500,000 bus, making the State rank second in the amount produced, North Dakota being first. Corn acreage was 1,650,000 acres this year. The average yield per acre was 39.0 bus, and if all of the acreage had been devoted to grain this yield would have produced a crop of 64,350,000 bus. As a matter of fact approximately 35% of the acreage went of fact, approximately 35% of the acreage went into silos. The oats crop was relatively the poorest of those grown in the State this year, and was the smallest production since 1907, only 36,875,000 bus., compared with 66, 320,000 last year. The season was unfavorable for the spring grains, and many thousands of acres of oats were not harvested at all and many more thousands were cut for hay. The many more thousands were cut for hay. The yield per acre for the total acreage of 1,475,000 was only 25 bus. Barley suffered similarly to oats, the yield being only 19 bus to the acre. The acreage was 20,000 acres less than last year so that the total production, 5,320,000 bus. was nearly 4,000,000 bus. less than 1918. The amount of grain threshed as reported by thresheaven up to and including Dec. 27, 1019, in case ermen up to and including Dec. 27, 1919, is as follows: Winter wheat, 844,883 acres; total yield 17,153,613 bus., or an average yield of 20.3 bus. per acre; spring wheat, 76,653 acres, 860,-225 bus. total yield and 11.2 bus. per acrè; rye, 225 bus, total yield, and 11.2 bus, per acre, ye, 841,084 acres, 11,258,657 bus, total yield, or 15.4 bus, per acre; oats, 1,182,707 acres, 28,247,541 bus, total yield, or 23.9 bus, per acre; barley, 215,358 acres, 3,646,485 bus, total yield and 16.9 bus, per acre.—Michigan Co-operative Crop Reporting Service.

MISSOURI.

Rockville, Mo., Jan. 12.—Fall acreage about 70% of last year; looks awfully discouraging on account of late sowing and excessive rains.—N. J. Willems, mgr. Rockville Equity Grain Co.

MONTANA.

Whitetail, Mont., Jan. 19.—Crops exceptionally poor, many fields not being cut.—C. W. Truesdell, mgr. Montana & Dakota Elvtr. Co.

NEBRASKA.

Davey, Neb., Jan. 23.—Considerable talk of wheat damage; corn very damp and grading No. 6.—W. A. Mulligan, mgr. Davey Co-operative Grain Co.

OHIO.

Hicksville, O., Jan. 25.—Hessian fly, freezing and thawing, lack of snow, etc., have decreased the 1920 wheat crop outlook about 40%.—Hicksville Grain Co.

Wooster, O., Jan. 15.—Spring wheat is an uncertain crop for general culture in Ohio, according to the Dept. of Agronomy. The information is based upon cultural experiments, in which the average yield of spring wheat has been 18 bus. to the acre for 6 years, while winter wheat proper fertilization has averaged close to 34 bus, over a period of 25 years. Plenty of fertility and early seeding has been found to be necessary for spring wheat culture when it is carried on in Ohio. Some of the land in northcarried on in Ohio. Some of the land in north-western Ohio has been found to be adapted to spring wheat but not all soils in Ohio in general. heavy infestation of Hessian fly thruout the State also puts spring wheat in the more doubtful list of farm crops, because the spring brood of the fly always attacks the newly-sown spring wheat, since it is much more tender than the growth of winter wheat. The infestation of fly is so heavy that entomologists at the Experiment Station do not advise sowing spring wheat during the coming season.—Ohio Agricultureal Experiment Station.

OKLAHOMA.

Carnegie, Oklahoma, Jan. 13.-Plenty of moisture to carry winter wheat thru in good shape; 60% normal acreage sown; condition 70%.-J. Thomas.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 1.—A summary of the harvested acreage, yield per acre and total yield of grain crops in the State for 1919 and 1918 is as follows: Corn, 3,100,000 acres; 24 bus. yield per acre; 74,000,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 3,100,000 acres; 7.5 bus. yield per acre; 23,250,000 bus. total yield for 1918. Winter wheat, 3,760,000 acres; 14 bus. yield per acre; 52,640,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 2,611,000 acres; 12.6 bus. yield per acre; 32,899,000 bus. total yield for 1918. Oats, 1,500,000 acres; 33 bus. per acre; 49,500,000 bus. total yield for 1918. Dats, 1,500,000 acres; 33 bus. per acre; 49,500,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 1,300,000 acres; 24 bus. per acre; 31,200,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 20,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 340,000 total yield for 1918. Rye, 25,000 acres; 14 bus. per acre; 350,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 15,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 165,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 15,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 165,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 15,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 165,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 15,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 165,000 bus. total yield for 1919; compared with 15,000 acres; 17 bus. per acre; 165,000 bus. total yield for 1918.—Joint Report Co-operating Crop Reporting Service.

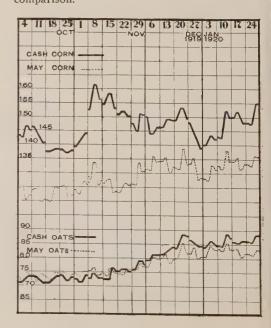
THE IMPORTS of rice into the United States the fiscal year ended June 30, 1919, were 329,894,454 pounds valued at \$16,668,766, against 407,993,958 pounds valued at \$14,783,018 in 1918—a decrease of 19.1 per cent in value. The average import price of cleaned rice advanced from 3.5 cents in 1918 to 4.8 cents in 1919. cents in 1919. Altho imports show a decrease in quantity, re-exports of foreign rice from in quantity, reexports of foreign rice from in quantity, reexposts of foreign rice from the United States increased 134.2 per cent in quantity and 230.6 per cent in value since 1918. A total of 216,174,636 pounds of rice valued at \$16,240,606 was reexported in 1919, against 92,293,518 pounds valued at \$4,911,-775 in 1918.

National Ass'n to Meet at Minneapolis

The Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, thru Pres. Wm. Dalrymple, has extended an invitation to the Grain Dealers National Ass'n to meet in that city in 1920. The invitation has been formally accepted by the directors of the Ass'n. The convention probably will be held in late September or early October.

Cash Corn and Oats Fluctuations from Sept. 29 to Jan. 24.

Opening, high, low and closing average prices of No. 2 mixed corn and No. 2 white oats at Chicago each week are given on the chart herewith. The daily average is used in charting; actual prices were made each day several cents above or below extreme charted. The May future is shown by the dotted line for comparison.



Coming Conventions.

Feb. 10, 11, 12.—Farmers Grain Dealers

Ass'n of Illinois, at Peoria.

Feb. 17, 18, 19. The Farmers Grain Dealers
Ass'n of Minnesota at Minneapolis, Minn.

FEB. 24, 25. Ohio Farmers Grain Dealers Ass'n at Toledo, O.

Mar. 10, 11, 12. Kansas Farmers Co-Operative Grain Dealers Ass'n at Salina, Kan.

May 18, 19. Oklahoma Grain Dealers Ass'n at Oklahoma City, Okla.

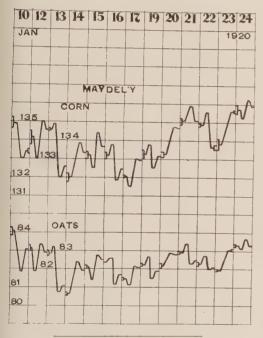
May 26, 27, 28. Kansas Grain Dealers Ass'n at Wichita, Kan.

June 22, 23, 24. American Seed Trade Ass'n at Milwaukee.

June 21-Wholesale Grass Seed Dealers Ass'n at Milwaukee, Wis.

Chicago Futures

Opening, high, low and close on corn and oats for the May delivery at Chicago for two weeks past are given on the chart herewith



A FEDERAL live stock commission is provided for in a bill to be introduced in Congress. It would call for the appointment of three pestiferous meddlers to be known as Commissioners at salaries of \$10,000 a year each.

SPOKANE, WASH.—A co-operative wheat selling agency is being organized by the Northwest Farmers Grain Marketing Com'ite of which A. A. Elmore is pres. J. F. Langner of Portland, Ore., has been appointed publicity manager, and memberships will be solicited at \$10 each.

Operating an Elevator in North Dakota and Montana.

BY C. F. SMITH, KLONDIKE, ORE.

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The wheat raised in North Dakota and Montana is mostly spring wheat. Marquis and durum are the predominating spring wheats, with some turkey red winter. Besides wheat, there is considerable barley, oats and flax. North Dakota when she has a crop raises more wheat and flax than any other state in the Uaion. There is very little smut. The wheat except in dry years all grades Nos. 1 and 2. They raise both the two and six row barley.

The grain raised in the two states as a general rule has more or less foreign material in it consisting of wild oats, wild peas, cockle, (very little) russian thistle, chinese lettuce, mustard and jim hill mustard and a number of weeds and seeds of which I never did know the name. A cléaner is almost a necessity and when one encounters a batch of wild oats mingled with Russian thistle he needs an extra man and many laths to scrape the sieves. All the elevators that I ever had anything to do with had a regular screening bin in which nothing but the screenings were kept.

Almost all the grain is bot outright, consigning almost unheard of. Very little grain is stored over the 30-day free period. At the close of the day's buying business a nite letter is sent selling whatever amount you have purchased during the day. In this way the elevator company is assured of their margin allowed them for handling the grain. I never saw a sack of wheat or flax shipped out of that part of the country. Some of the seed shipped in is sacked. Some of the farmers haul their grain to market in seamless sacks but dump the grain as it is unloaded and take their sacks back home with them using the same sacks for many years. All the grain is shipped in bulk and the losses in shipping are very small and almost no loss in handling.

The great majority of the elevators are not spouted properly, but if they are so that one can use both legs for each and every bin you can clean out the load in your front pit while the next is driving in and weighing, almost without

CANADIAN wheat flour export restrictions have been removed but a tax of \$2 per barrel must be paid.

HOLLAND is, and has been for all of this crop, a heavy purchaser of wheat and flour from Argentine; this is particularly true of wheat, which is distributed thru Government agency to the millers of the country and furnishes the raw material from which is produced much of the Government controlled flour handled thru the system of bread cards. Not only is Argentine wheat (and flour) much cheaper than American wheat and flour at their source, but the relatively lower freight rates secured by the Government from South American ports, as compared with American ports, gives an added advantage to wheat and from Argentine.—A. P. Husband, sec'y Millers National Federation.

Daily Closing Prices.

The daily closing prices for oats and corn for May delivery at the following markets for the past two weeks have been as follows:

MAY DATS.												
	Jan. Jan		Jan.				Jan. 19.	Jan.	Jan. 21.	Jan.	Jan. 23.	Jan. 24.
	10. 12.	13.	14.	15.	16.							
·Chicago	83 82 %	81	81 %	82 %	813/4	82	81 %	$82\frac{3}{4}$	82%	82	83	831/4
Minneapolis	811/2 811/8	791/4	801/8	801/2	79%	80%	80%	803/4	80 %	80%	$81\frac{1}{8}$	81%
St. Louis			843/4	851/2	843/4	851/2	85	86	861/4		$85\frac{1}{2}$	$85\frac{1}{2}$
Kansas City		81	813/4	81 %	81%	811/2	81%	821/4	821/4	82	82%	82%
Milwaukee		81	82	82 %	81 3/4	821/8	81%	823/4	821/2	821/8	831/8	. 83%
Winnipeg		91%	921/4	921/4	921/8	92%	921/2	931/2	$93\frac{1}{4}$	$92\frac{3}{4}$	93 %	94
MAY CORN.												
Chicago1	341/4 1345/8	1321/2	1331/4	133 %	132%	132 %	1331/8	134%	135	1331/2	1351/2	135%
St. Louis	35 % 136 1/8	1341/4	1351/8	135 %	134 %	134%	135%	137	1371/4	$136\frac{1}{4}$	137%	138 1/8
Kansas City1	35 1/8 135 1/4	1335%	1341/8	134 %	13334	1341/8	134%	136	136		1361/2	
Milwaukee									1.35	$133\frac{3}{4}$	1351/2	135%

Leaking in Transit

Grain dealers can help brother sufferers in the collection of claims for loss by reporting to Grain Dealers Journal, for free publication, car initials, number, place, date and condition of car seen leaking grain in transit. Recently we have received reports of the fol-

lowing leaking or bad order cars

U. P. 18276 passed thru Hendley. Neb., Jan. 9 leaking wheat at corner of car; did not see it until car was pulling out.—G. W. Query, mgr. The Farmers' Business Ass'n.

C. & N. W. 73166 passed thru Avard, Okla., going west on Jan. 18 leaking wheat at the door post.—Walter Hunsaker, agent Alva Roller Roller Mills, Avard, Okla.

R. I. 43519 passed thru Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 10. leaking corn freely thru broken end sheathing, car evidently having been in a wreck.—
A. V. Tischer, chief inspector, Des Moines Board of Trade.

W. M. 25266 passed thru Wilke, W. M. 2926b passed thru Wilke, Ia., billed from Duncomb or Judd, Ia., leaking corn at both sides and both ends freely. Siding was bulged so you could nearly look into the car. It was also leaking over the draw bar, one end of which was ready to break out; was braced with two pieces of two by four.—J. L. Burt Grain Co., Wilke, Ia.

C. R. & N. J. 34211, billed from Duncomb r Judd, on same train as M. M. 25266, leaking corn thru the sheathing and at one end.—J. L. Burt Grain Co., Wilke, Ia.

Pa. 23,230 passed thru Holyoke, Colo., Dec. 17 leaking wheat.—Reiner-Smith Grain Co., Paul Reiner, mgr.

N. C. & St. L. 3937 passed thru Dana, Ia., Dec. 18, leaking corn at end of car, which was spread so there was no chance to repair .- E.

G. N. 207,591 passed thru Philo, Ill., Dec. 11, leaking yellow corn thru loose sheathing near the doorpost. Train was here only a few min-utes and we could not get to it to stop the leak.-J. A. Gilles.

Our Callers

J. O. Crane, Pence, Ind.

L. J. Kaiser, Maroa, Ill.

Edwin Harris, Mt. Ayr, Ind

Joe Daniel, Little Rock, Ark.

E. H. Franzen, Cloverdale, Ill.

C. E. Munn, Little Rock, Ark.

C. A. Hunter, Todd Lumber Co., Oswego, Ill.

H. C. Wilber, of Koehn & Wilber, Prospect, Ill. Robt. Wood of Robt. Wood & Co., Dillsburg,

A. C. Rynders Mgr. White Star Co., Wichita,

Waring, mgr. S. C. Bartlett Co., Peoria, Ill.

Jno. F. Kroutil, mgr. Yukon Milling Co., Yukon, Okla.

Chas. N. Bonges, mgr. Verona Farmers Elvtr. Co., Verona, Ill.

C. O. Garver, inspector Grain Dealers Fire Ins. Co., Columbus, O.

Jas. D. Worsham, mayor of Maroa, Ill., gen. mgr. Marao Mfg. Co.

David J. Price, engineer in charge of dust explosion investigations, Buro of Chemistry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

THE ITALIAN import duty has been removed until June 1 on wheat and flour. Normal duty on wheat is 7½ lire on 220 lbs. which in bus. and cents amounts, at the present rate of exchange, to 75c on 4.59 bus. or about 16 1-3 cents per bu. Imports into Italy from Aug. 1 to Oct. 31 were 25,976,000 against 21,456,000 bus, in the corresponding period of 1918.

The GRAIN SOURNAL.

Grain Movement

Reports on the movement of grain from farm to country elevator and movement from interior points are always welcome.

ARKANSAS.

Hope, Ark., Jan. 12.—We will have to ship in feed this winter, W. W. Duckett, mgr. Southern Grain & Produce Co.

CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 12.—Receipts of grain at this market for December were: 230 cars at this market for December were: 230 cars of wheat, 73 cars of barley, 63 cars of corn, 34 cars of oats, 3 cars of rye and 6 cars of hygeria, compared with 118 cars of wheat, 147 cars of barley, 22 cars of corn, 29 cars of oats, and no rye or hygeria in December, 1918. The total cars received in 1919 were 1,984 cars of wheat; 1,007 cars of barley, 226 cars of corn, 176 cars of oats, 6 cars of rye and 18 cars of hygeria; compared with 1,223 cars of wheat received in 1918, 944 cars of harley, 212 cars of received in 1918, 944 cars of barley 212 cars of corn, 117 cars of oats, 4 cars of rye and none of hygeria received in the year 1918.—Los Angeles Grain Exchange.

CANADA

Canada.

Calgary. Alta., Jan. 12.—Receipts of grain for December at this market were 257 cars of wheat; 536 cars of oats and 140 cars of barley: compared with 445 cars of wheat; 336 cars of oats; 5 cars of rye and 77 cars of barley received here in December, 1918.—D. O. McHugh, sec'y Grain Exchange.

ILLINOIS.
Cloverdale, Ill., Jan. 14.—Wheat about all shipped out; only a few cars left.—Erwin H.

Edwardsville, Ill., Jan. 10.—We are shipping in corn and oats; have been all fall, and winter; one-tenth of wheat crop still in farmers' hands.

Ridge Farm, Ill., Jan. 15.—Farmers holding corn for hog feed. Early in season considera-ble corn was shipped.—Frank Jones, mgr. Frank Jones Grain Co.

Mendota, Ill., Jan. 14.—Plenty of grain being offered but cars are very scarce and elvtr. mostly full of grain. Farmers waiting their turn to shell and deliver their corn .-

Kemp, Ill., Jan. 15.—Our elvtr. is full to top and we have had to shut down as we can get no cars. Farmers are holding as there is no other place to market.—O. J. Moss, Munson &

Boody, Ill., Jan. 19.—Have only shipped 9 cars Boody, III., Jan. 19.—Have only shipped 9 cars of new corn from our two stations, farmers holding for more money. Oats nearly all out of farmers' hands.—Otto F. Young, mgr. Boody & Blackland, Farmers Co-operative Elvtr. Co.

Olive Branch, Ill., Jan. 16.-Corn crop 1/3 of a crop; have shipped one small car of 500 bus. out so far; will be from 2,000 to 3,000 bus. to move later: but it is probable that from 3 to 5 cars will be shipped in for feeders. Farmers are now shipping oats in for feed on account of corn shortage.-X.

INDIANA.

Frankfort, Ind., Jan. 15.—Farmers have been holding corn for higher prices.—C. A. Steven-

New Point, Ind., Jan. 15.—About 20,000 bus. of wheat still in farmers' hands.—John J. Put-

Star City, Ind., nd., Jan. 15.—Car shortage was all our elvtrs.—L. H. Jordan, keenly felt at all Jordan & Phillips.

Sandusky (Greensburg p. o.), Ind., Jan. 15.-Farmers are pretty well sold out. We hav been getting cars.—C. J. Warneke. We have

Sandusky (Greensburg p. o.), Ind., Jan. 15.—Winter wheat good except that planted early, which is badly infested with fly.—C. J. War-

Francesville, Ind. Jan. 15 .- Cars are loosening up but we haven't enuf of them to ship out grain yet.—J. M. Hutchins, Crabbs Reynolds

Oakville, Ind., Jan. 15.—Heavy snow; roads all gummed up; farmers unable to deliver grain. Haven't noticed car shortage on the Erie.—A. B. Ross, mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Manilla, Ind., Jan. 15.—No shipping in this section. Corn sold from farmer to farmer; none to elvtr. Practically no corn shipped for 2 years.—J. G. Fox, Mull Grain Co.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 15.—Only from 60 to 70% of wheat left; infested with hessian fly. No rain till after Sept. 25. Fly in wheat sown before Sept.—Wm. Nading, Nading Grain Co.

Lebanon, Ind., Jan. 15.—Very little grain shipped out; sell all grain brot in to dairy farmers for feed; about 130,000 bus, handled that way so far. No use for cars.—Wm. Means, Boone Grain & Supply Co.

New Palestine, Ind., Jan. 15.—Business moving smoothly; wheat nearly all gone; no oats grown and corn nearly all ground and sold back to farmers for feed. Had so little to ship that we never noticed car shortage.—F. W. Ruschhaupt,

Belleville, Kan., Jan. 23.—Threshing just beginning to start again, the first since early fall.—E. A. Fulcomer & Son, by Paul J. Fulcomer.

Hutchinson, Kan., Jan. 23.—The movement of the 1919 crops of wheat, kafir and milo in southwestern Kansas continues slowly. Thirty-five per cent of the wheat remains in the hands of farmers and in country elevators, and at the present rate of car supply it will be physically impossible to move it before the harvest of the new crop.-Cal.

MARYLAND.

Baltimore, Md.—Receipts of grain at this market for December, 1919, were: Wheat, 1,-267.416 bus.; corn, 286,074 bus.; oats, 101,050 bus.; 286,513 bus. of rye and 45,325 bus. of barley. Shipments were 2,697,303 bus. of wheat, 186.541 bus. of rye and 41,667 bus. of barley.—James B. Hessong, see'y Chamber of Commerce.

MISSOURI

Rockville, Mo., Jan. 12.—About 1/3 of wheat farmers' hands —N. J. Willems, mgr. Rockville Equity Grain Co.

Ville Equity Grain Co.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 11.—Total receipts of grain at this market for the year 1919, are as follows: Wheat, 72.137,250 bus.; corn, 15,801,-250 bus.; oats, 12.503.500 bus.; rye, 612,700 bus.; and barley, 2.140.500 bus. Shipments were: Wheat, 48,285,700 bus.; corn, 9,312.500 bus.; oats, 9,402.000 bus.; rye, 339.900 bus; and barley, 1,-149.200 bus.—E. D. Bigelow, sec'y Board of Trade.

NEBRASKA.

Davey. Neb., Jan. 23.—About 10% of wheat in farmers' hands; holding for \$3 a bus.—W. A. Mulligan, mgr. Davey Co-operative Grain Co.

Omaha, Neb.—Receibts of grain at this market for December, 1919, were as follows: Wheat, 1,399,200 bus.; corn. 2,345,000 bus.; oats. 578,000 bvs.; rye, 129,800 bus., and barley, 91,800 bus; compared with wheat. 2,847,600 bus.; corn. 2,-343,600 bus; oats, 1,448,000 bus; rye. 234,300 bus., and barley, 392,400 bus. for Dec., 1918. Shipments were: 2,196,000 bus wheat; 1,806,400 bus. corn. 592,000 bus. oats: 80,300 bus. rye, and Omaha, Neb.-Receipts of grain at this marbus. corn; 592.000 bus. oats; 80.300 bus. rye, and 109.800 bus barley; compared with 2.019.600 bus. of wheat: 1.778,000 bus. of corn; 1.910,000 bus. of oats; 143,000 bus. of rye. and 282,600 bus. of bar'ey, shipped in Dec., 1918,

NORTH DAKOTA.

Petersburg, N Dak., Jan. 13.—This station will ship about 350,000 bus of grain this season.—Equity Co-operative Exchange.

OH10.

Toledo. O., Jan. 15.—All elvtrs. in county filled to capacity; on account of no cars.—Chas. W. Mollett, agt. Lake Erie Mill Co.

Hicksville, O, Jan. 25.—Grain moving quite freely from the farmers. Cars continue to be scarcer than ever with stock continuously increasing.—Hicksville Grain Co.

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Cincinnati, O.—Receipts of grain at this market for December were: Wheat, 163,700 bus.; corn, 419,100 bus.; oats, 203,200 bus.; rye, 5,500 bus. and barley, 17,500 bus.; compared with 91,375 bus. wheat; 240,900 of corn; 273,600 of oats; 44,000 of rye, and no barley, for December, 1918 Shipments included 255,850 bus. of wheat for 1919; 299,200 bus. of corn; 137,600 bus. ber, 1918 Shipments included 255,850 bus. of wheat for 1919; 299,200 bus. of corn; 137,600 bus. of oats. and 29,700 bus. of rye; compared with 96,750 bus. of wheat; 149,600 bus. of corn; 147,200 bus. of oats, and 48,400 bus. of rye shipped during December, 1918. No record of the receipts and shipments of barley were kept in 1918, or of the shipments in 1919. Receipts of ear corn were 72,100 bus., against 21,700 last year and no record of shipments for either year. The above figures do not include shipments of The above figures do not include shipments of

grain from track .- Geo. F. Munson, chief inspector, Grain & Hay Exchange.

OKLAHOMA.

Carnegie, Okla., Jan. 13.—Total 1919 crop around 700,000 bus. wheat; 50,000 bus. of corn and the same amount of kafir; 30% of old crop in county yet to be moved.—J. B. Thomas.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Finladelphia, Pa.—Receipts of wheat from farms for week ending Jan. 9th, 1920, 8,556,000 bus.; same week last year (1919), 7,007,000 bus.; previous week 1920, 8,364,000 bus.; previous week last year (1919), 4,937,000 bus.; receipts from farms June 27th, 1919, to Jan. 9th, 1920, 662,-238,000 bus.; same period last year, 649,332,000 bus. Total stocks of wheat all elvtrs. and mills Jan. 9th, 1920, 234,191,000 bus.; same date last bus. Total stocks of wheat all elvirs, and hims Jan. 9th, 1920, 234,191,000 bus.; same date last year (1919), 251,164,000 bus.; previous week 1920, 243,463,000 bus.; previous week last year (1919), 253,484,000 bus. These figures show decrease 243,463,000 bus.; previous week last year (1919), 253,484,000 bus. These figures show decrease for week January 2nd, 1920, to Jan. 9th, 1920, 9.272,000 bus.; same week last year decrease (1919), 2,320,000 bus. Exports of wheat July 1st, 1919, to Jan. 9th, 1920, 82,083,000 bus.; for 1919 (Army and Red Cross included), 107,672,000 bus.—H. D. Irwin, 2nd vic-pres., U. S. Grain Corporation

JULIUS BARNES seems to have succeeded in killing the boom in cash wheat.

The Government Retail Stores

And now comes the announcement of the immediate opening of government stores in every postal zone for direct and mail order merchandising, the plan being to broaden the scope of operation to include all leading cities. Not only will accumulated stocks be offered, but additional purchases will be made and ts will be sold at cost.

The government will not sell driblets, however, neither will it trust the buyer until next pay day, and if there is sickness or misfortune carry over the balance for an indefinite period. No, it will leave the retail grocer to supply the wants of the poor, and seeks to have him convicted of profiteering, because he is unable to meet the prices that are asked of the well-to-do, to supply whose requirements below cost a large subsidy will be employed—a subsidy that the merchant must help pay, and the consumer who cannot avail himself of this charity, as well as the one who receives the benefit must contribute his mite.

Would any administration assume such an altitude towards the American farmer or the American laborer? Most emphatically not. It would be poor politics, as it is economic error, and politicians may be guilty of the latter, but the former does injury to their own business, and that is the point where prudence and wisdom are called into requisition.

—New West Trade, Spokane, Wash.

Exports of Grain Weekly. Bus., 000 Omitted.

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	'19-20.	. '18 - 19. ':	19-20. '18	-19. '	19-20: '	18-19.	
July	51,50	04 539	20	910	693	2.187	
July	123,8		23	731	1,617	1,841	
July	193,3	93 144	93	571	757	2,482	
July	261,11		45	103	1,142	2,581	
Aug.	23,06		9	219	2,319	2.614	
Aug.	93,6		74	182	891	1,656	
Aug.	162,6		44	673	1,584	1,437	
Aug.	234,44	5 3,504	67	135	2,141	1,438	
Aug.			264	253	1.576	1,027	
Sept.			118	$\frac{153}{153}$	1,474	1,125	
Sept.			42	375			
	206,34		148		1,411	2,356	
Sept.				145	1,358	3,657	
	27, 4,69		29	289	557	2.914	
	4 5,91		33	153	1,422	2,704	
Oct.	112,4	85 4,078	28	52	1,007	2,439	
	182,8			38	1,164	4,478	
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	12,4		10	36	406	2,934	
	83,85		23	5	1,017	3,005	
Nov.	155,99		69	5	593	3,836	
Nov.	224,62		21	140	957	3,661	
Nov.	293,78		39	114	108	3,335	
	$6 \dots 6, 22$		16	159	877	3,267	
Dec.	133,67	74 7,740	16	220	904	3,288	
Dec.	204,63	3,674	10	- 11	540	1,836	
Dec.	272,52	22 4,765	25 .	208	159	1,873	
Jan.	35,16		46	61	394	2,198	
Jan.	104,8		62	104	306	3,206	
	173,6		106	119	155	3,100	
Jan.	241,98		188	113	380	3.155	
						0,100	

Total since July 1..317,912 236,834 11,114 38,462 122,359 208,696

Your Annual Financial Statement exceed the credits it shows a loss; if the credits exceed the debits the results of the year's operations indicate a profit.

By Auditor Penn

The time for recounting the business activies of the year has arrived again, and grain ealers everywhere are wrestling with the roblem of preparing their annual financial tatement. For most dealers this is a task nat is difficult enuf at any time, but now, with ne need for accurate data for use on their scome and excess profits tax reports it is a ork that requires the burning of much midight oil.

To attempt to explain the intricacies of the ederal tax laws is beyond the scope of the resent article, but certain fundamental fac-

ors may be set forth briefly.

THE FIRST STEP in the preparation of ny financial statement is the taking of an ecurate inventory. This should have been one immediately after the close of business Dec. 31, but if it was not done then it should be taken care of immediately. No better nethod of inventorying the grain on hand an be devised than a weigh-up. If that is prossible or impracticable an estimate should rpossible or impracticable an estimate should made by measurement of bins, warehouses,

Goods on hand may be computed in the eventory at their market value or at their ost, whichever is lower, according to a ruling f the federal authorities. In the case of rain it may be difficult to obtain the cost of ne grain actually on hand the last day of the ear, altho the rising markets of the past few nonths would make this method advisable it can be done.

When the inventory value of grain owned t the close of the year has been determined ne figures representing this value for each rain should be set down upon the ledger count for that grain as a debit under the xplanation "Inventory." The difference between the debt and credits on each grain ccount will then represent the profit or loss erived from the transactions in that grain. his profit or loss should be carried direct the Loss and Gain account in the ledger. f a grain account shows an excess of credits ver debits this difference will represent a ain and it should be carried to the credit side f the Loss and Gain account. An excess of ebits over credits on a grain account will epresent a loss, and this difference goes to debit side of Loss and Gain.

Expenses.

Expenses, whatever their nature, represent esses so far as the business is concerned. ertain items may not be allowed by the uthorities in the computation of tax returns, ut the dealer should have his eye on the ood of his own business as well as on the ex collector's rules.

Everything that represents an amount paid ut for conducting the business should be arried to the debit (or loss) side of the Loss and Gain account. This will include the cost for labor, fuel, supplies that have been con-umed by the business, insurance, interest, taxes, etc. Some taxes may not be deducted in figuring income and profits for making up ne report to Uncle Sam, but that makes no ifference when the financial statement is beig dealt with.

The dealer who is the owner of his busi-The dealer who is the owner of his busiess, and who gives his time to handling it, nould not fail to charge into the expense ecount a salary for himself. He is permitted to do it, good business practice requires him to do it, and he is not fair to himself and to its business unless he does do it. The amount of the salary will depend upon individual recumstances. Obviously, it would not be air to wait until it is determined that the profits of a business are to figure about \$5,000 rofits of a business are to figure about \$5,000 nd then to charge an even \$5,000 for the

owner's salary just to get rid of the profits unless the services of the owner had actually been worth that much to the business. No rule can be laid down for the computation of the owner's salary, but every owner will have a pretty good idea as to the salary he should a pretty good idea as to the salary he should receive. Perhaps a good test would be to ask oneself this question: "How much, per month or per year, could I get for doing the same work for another dealer conducting a similar business?" The answer to that question may not indicate a salary that will be fair in all respects, but it should not be far

Depreciation.

An item of considerable importance in every business, and one that seldom receives the attention which it merits, is the depreciation of buildings, machinery, tools, etc., used in the conduct of the business. Every elevator, every engine, every belt and cleaner depreciates to some extent year by year.

A good way to determine a fair rate of depreciation is to estimate the probable useful "life" of the building or appliance. This means the probable number of years that it will continue to give satisfactory service with a reasonable amount of repair. If we may say that an elevator will give 20 years service without actual rebuilding, and that its original actual resolutions, and that its original actual resolutions are service without actual resolutions. inal cost is \$20,000 it is obvious that its original cost is \$20,000 it is obvious that it will depreciate in value at the rate of \$1,000 per year. That is, this elevator, when five years old, will be worth, to the business, only \$15,000 as compared with its first cost of \$20,000. And as \$1,000 is one-twentieth, or 5%, of \$20,000, the annual rate of depreciation is 5%. Machinery will depreciate more rapidly than buildings, and the rate is higher. There can buildings, and the rate is higher. There can be no hard and fast rule for figuring the rate of depreciation that is always fair, but it is probably safe to figure about 5% per year on concrete buildings, 8% on frame buildings, and 15% on machinery. This statement is made with special reference to the grain business and might not hold good for other classes of business.

A contrary factor which must not be lost sight of is appreciation. Some buildings, and even some machinery, is actually worth more today than the same buildings and machinery were worth three years, or even one year ago, because of the general increase in property values. The wise merchant will take into account the increase in the value of his property, but he will not permit it to declare unreasonably large dividends; for conditions may arise in the course of the next few years to present appreciations to vanish into something thinner than thin air. And this might result in an awkward situation for the merchant who loses sight of this fact.

Depreciation is taken into account at statement time by making the proper credit entry on the Building and Machinery accounts to represent the amount of the yearly loss in value. Corresponding debits are then made to the Loss and Gain account.

Another way to account for depreciation is to set up a ledger account under the title "Reserve for Depreciation." Building and Machinery accounts are then considered assets for their original totals. The depreciation credits are made to the Reserve for Depreciation account and the debits are posted to Loss and Gain as before. The Reserve ac-count shows a credit balance and this stands in the financial statement as a liability.

Loss and Gain.

When all stocks and expense accounts have been closed into the Loss and Gain account the two sides of this account should be totaled and a balance struck. If the debits ex-

To Set Up the Statement.

The financial statement itself is really an exhibit of assets and liabilities. After all accounts have been closed and balanced, and the balances carried down below the column footings every debit balance will represent an asset and every credit balance a liability.

The total of all assets (debit balances) should equal the total of all liabilities (credit balances). If these totals are equal the bookkeeping entries have been correctly made, and It is easily possible that errors may exist even tho the statement may balance; but if these balances can be shown without forcing the recording of debits and credits has been done in a proper manner. Some entries may have gone to the wrong accounts some items. have gone to the wrong accounts, some items may not have been correctly figured, or other clerical mistakes may exist, but only an audit by a competent person will disclose these

For the purpose of illustrating the probable items that will appear on the financial statement of a country elevator operator the fol-lowing sample statement is given. The fig-ures are purely imaginary, and do not refer to the business of any individual, but are used solely for the purpose of illustration.

A Typical Financial Statement. Assets.

Elevator Building	\$10,000.00				
Machinery Account	1,000.00				
Grain Inventory:					
Wheat, 10,000 bus. at \$2.50	25.000.00				
Corn, 2,000 bus. at \$1.50	3.000.00				
Oats, 5,000 bus. at 80c	4,000.00				
Inventory other commodities:					
Coal, 100 tons at \$5.00	500.00				
Furniture and Fixtures	200.00				
Cash in bank	1,231.17				
Cash in office	3.16				
Stationery and supplies on hand	. 11.00				
Individual Accounts Receivable	216.28				
Bills (notes Receivable)					
Total	\$45,311.61				
Liabilities.					
John Jones (Capital Account)	\$10,000.00				
Bills (notes) Payable	15,000.00				
Accounts Payable (for advances or	1				
grain shipped-returns not received).	14,800.00				
Reserve for Depreciation	1,000.00				
Reserve for expenses not yet paid	50.00				
Reserve for taxes not yet paid	200.00				
Interest accrued but not paid, reserve	100.00				
Surplus	1,000.00				
NT a A made					
Net gain	3.161.61				
Net gain					
Total					

Carrier May Waive 4 Months' Limitation.

The Supreme Court of Minnesota on Dec. 26, 1919, reversed the decision of the district court of Hennepin County and granted a new trial to the E. L. Welch Co., in its suit to recover of the C., M. & St. P. R. R. Co. for failure to deliver a car of oats bot and paid

The car was shipped Feb. 27, 1915, by the Farmers Co-operative Society from Alpha, Minn., consigned to plaintiff at Minneapolis. No claim for loss was made until May 17, 1916.

Defendant pleaded the limitation clause as a bar to plaintiff's right of recovery. The reply set up a waiver of the limitation clause. There was testimony in support of a waiver. At the close of the testimony the trial court directed a verdict for defendant, upon the theory that the defendant could not waive the limitation clause, as it would be contrary to the statutes of the state.

The Supreme Court said: A majority of the court are of the opinion that the trial court was in error. The rule is no longer an open question in this state. The carrier may waive the provisions of such limitation clause —175 N. W. 100.

I. C. C. Decision on Northwestern Grain Rates

An opinion has just been rendered by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Northwestern grain rate case affecting the entire western grain rate structure.

The general rate advance of June 25, 1918, disturbed the relationship between Minneapolis, Chicago and other Northwestern grain markets and led to a complaint by Minneapolis and later by Chicago, on which the di-rector general of railroads directed the West-ern Freight Traffic Com'ite to work out a general revision of rates thru the various com-As strenuous objection was peting markets. made by Minneapolis to the proposed changes the director general asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for guidance, and the following opinion by Commissioner Woolley is the result and will undoubtedly be reflected soon in new schedules of rates to be issued by the railroad companies:

the result and will undoubtedly be reflected soon in new schedules of rates to be issued by the railroad companies:

In a general way the proposal of the Western Freight Traffic Committee is to leave unchanged the inbound rates to the markets of Minneapolis, Omaha and Sioux City; to make some revision of the inbound rates to Duluth and Chicago; to make the rates break on Minneapolis for Chicago and Duluth when the natural route is through Minneapolis; to cancel, in the furtherance of the purpose last mentioned, all transit arrangements at Minneapolis, except on Montana grain, and establish proportional rates from Minneapolis to Duluth and Minneapolis to Chicago, to be used in making the through rates to Duluth and Chicago when the rates base on Minneapolis, and as components in the combination through charge to those points when the grain is routed out of line through minneapolis; to revise the through rates on grain and grain products, all rail, from Minneapolis to the east; to cancel the through rail-lake-and-rail rates on grain products from Minneapolis to the east and make those rates by combination on Duluth as a Lake Superior gateway; and, by a balancing of the proportional rates from Minneapolis to Duluth and Minneapolis to Chicago, and the respective lake-and-rail rates on grain products from Duluth and Chicago, to equalize the rail-lake-and-rail rates through the Duluth and Chicago gateways from Minneapolis to the east. A revision of the Chicago, to equalize the rail-lake-and-rail rates through the Duluth and Chicago gateways from Minneapolis to the east. A revision of the Chicago, on wheat and coarse grain are now made on the Minneapolis combination. It is proposed, on the Minneapolis combination. It is proposed to continue this basis. There will accordingly be a reduction in these rates to Chicago, measured by the difference between the present proportional rates of 12½ cents and the proposed proportional rate of 11 cents from Minneapolis will accordingly lose nothing in the way of transit.

From sta

From stations on the Hastings & Dakota division of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, and northern branches thereof, the present thru rates to Chicago, on wheat and coarse grain, are in most instances 9½ cents higher than Minneapolis. The combination on Minneapolis is 12½ cents over Minneapolis. It is proposed to make these rates on the new combination of 11 cents over Minneapolis. They will therefore be increased 1½ cents. Minneapolis now has transit on wheat and coarse grain from this territory at the Chicago rate. There will accordingly be an increase of 1½ cents in the rate on all grain when moved through Minneapolis the same as on all grain when shipped direct to Chicago.

direct to Chicago.

The situation above described on the Hastings & Dakota division of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul exists also on the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway from stations west of Minneapolis in western Minnesota and South Dakota to but not including Watertown, S. D.

From stations on the Chicago & North Western Railway extending west from Mankato, Minn., to Pierre, S. D., and branches north thereof, including stations on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul north of the Chicago & North Western from Mankato to Pierre and south of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul from Minneapolis to Mobridge, the present thru rates to Chicago, on wheat and coarse grain, are in most instances 9½ cents higher than the

rates to Minneapolis, except that from points in South Dakota on the main line of the Chicago & North Western from Mankato to Pierre the maximum difference is 9 cents. No change is proposed in this basis. Minneapolis now has transit from this territory at the direct Chicago rate on coarse grain and at a charge of 2½ cents over the Chicago rate on wheat. In a few instances transit is permitted at Minneapolis on wheat at the direct Chicago rate without penalty. Under the proposed adjustment Minneapolis will pay 1½ cents over the direct Chicago rates on both wheat and coarse grain, or the difference between the direct rate of 9½ cents over Minneapolis. The out-of-line haul through Minneapolis from this territory to Chicago is 62 miles on the Chicago & North Western and as high as 127 miles on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

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The readjustment just described is also that proposed for the Minneapolis & St. Louis, Watertown and west. The out-of-line haul thru Minneapolis over this line is 16 miles. The direct route to Chicago is thru Hopkins, Minn., 8 miles south of Minneapolis.

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From the territory south of the Chicago & North Western from Mankato to Pierre the present rates to Milwaukee and Chicago, on wheat and coarse grain, are on a parity with the rates to Superior, Wis., for substantially equal distances, in accordance with our decisions in what are hereinafter referred to as the Superior Cases. Commercial Club of Superior, Wis., vs. G. N. Ry. Co., 24 I. C. C., 96: Superior Commercial Club vs. G. N. Ry. Co., 25 I. C. C., 342; Chicago-Duluth Grain Rates, 27 I. C. C., 216. This basis is to be continued, but with an increase of half a cent (in some instances I cent under the rule for disposition of fractions) to Chicago, to correspond with an increase of half a cent to Duluth, to be later discussed. Via the Great Northern Railway for milling purposes, and via the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & St. Paul Railway and the Minneapolis & St. Paul Railway and the Minneapolis & St. Paul Railway for all purposes, Minneapolis has transit on wheat and coarse grain at the direct Chicago rate. Via other lines the rates through Minneapolis exceed the direct rates to Chicago by from nothing to 1½ cents on coarse grain and from 2½ cents to 6 cents on wheat from the producing territory east of the Missouri River in South Dakota. Under the proposed adjustment the differences will be, generally speaking, from 1 to 3½ cents on wheat and 3½ cents on coarse grain from the territory described east of the Missouri River in South Dakota. Under the proposed adjustment the differences will be, generally speaking, from 1 to 3½ cents on wheat and coarse grain from the territory described east of the Missouri River, and as high as 7 cents from the territory west of the river, and will obtain over the Great Northern, the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, and the Minneapolis & St. Louis, as well as over other lines. The out-of-line haul from the general territory south of the Chicago & N

exceptional instances, according to the contention of Minneapolis.

We have required the establishment of transit in few instances. When practicable, rates thru important grain markets should break into definitely known inbound and outbound components. Such an adjustment is preferable to transit under a through rate, where the opportunities for complications in the application of rates, and for undue preferences resulting from the selected use of inbound expense bills in securing a desired outbound transit rate, are multiplied in proportion to the greater volume of tonnage handled through important markets, and the greater number of carriers that ordinarily serve such markets. We should view as even less warranted our establishment of transit at such important markets if substantial out-of-line hauls were involved. Minneapolis is an important grain market, and the charge above the direct Chicago rate is proposed only for out-of-line hauls.

At least since June 25, 1918, the transit ar-

At least since June 25, 1918, the transit arrangements at Minneapolis have not been satisfactory, even to the milling and other interests at that point, although material extensions of those arrangements have been granted under the Boyd tariffs. It seems evident, therefore, that transit offers no satisfactory solution of the difficulties incident to the rivalries of Minneapolis, Chicago, the Missouri River cities, and other markets in the handling of grain and grain products.

The proposal of the Western Freight Traffic Com'ite with respect to the revision of the Chicago rates and the cancellation of transit at Minneapolis should be adopted. The proposed proportional rate of 11 cents from Minneapolis to Chicago, which will apply on traffic routed out of line through Minneapolis, is in effect a

reshipping rate and comes well within the limits of reasonableness.

of reasonableness.

It has been stated that in the cancellation of transit at Minneapolis an exception is to be made of Montana grain. This is mainly because of the effect upon the westbound rates from Montana which the witness for the carriers states that cancellation would have. Viewing alone the eastbound rates there would seem to be no more reason for the retention of transit on grain from Montana than from other parts of the general territory of origin, and we recommend that it be eliminated.

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recommend that it be eliminated.

It may be that certain out-of-line hauls without extra charge, cited by Minneapolis, including the extreme case of traffic routed from Kansas City via Chicago to Ohio River gateways at the direct rate, are not justified. It they result in discrimination prohibited by the act they should be corrected; their existence should not preclude the application of corrective measures to the situation existing between Minneapolis and its near-by competitors, which apparently cannot be satisfactorily adjusted under transit regulations.

Rates to and From Duluth. From points

nder transit regulations.

Rates to and From Duluth. From points north of Hastings & Dakota division of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul. on lines other than the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Chicago & North Western, no change is proposed. With these exceptions there will be an increase of one-half cent from stations north and south of and on that division.

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In the Superior Cases the Commission prescribed from Willmar and points on the Great Northern south and west thereof to Huron Yankton and Sioux City, inclusive, rates to Duluth 3 cents higher than to Minneapolis. The direct line of the Great Northern from this territory to Duluth thru Willmar is 106 mile-longer than its line to Minneapolis. From point on other lines in the same territory the Commission prescribed rates to Duluth, via Minneapolis, 4 cents over Minneapolis, the proportional rate from Winneapolis to Duluth, via Minneapolis, 4 cents over Minneapolis, to Duluth 25, 1918 these differentials were increased to 3% cent and 4 cents on the Great Northern and 5 cent on the other lines. A further increase is her proposed to 4% cents and 5½ cents, respectively. The proposal further is to make the increase differential on the Great Northern start at Gran ite Falls, 35 miles south of Willmar, instead of at Willmar, and to leave at 3% cents and cents the differential at Willmar and at points between Willmar and Granite Falls.

The increase to 5½ cents in the differential from points on lines other than the Great Northern, whose routes are thru Minneapolis, would place the rates from those points on the Minneapolis combination, in view of the proposed reduction of the proportional rate from Minneapolis combination, in view of the proposed cent less than the Minneapolis, no transit undendered transit at Minneapolis, or bransit undendered transit at Minneapolis, or bransit undendered transit at Minneapolis, or bransit undendered the start of the proposed combination and the start of the cents of the superior of the proposal to place the rates of the Boyd tariffs, had an advantage of 1 cent over Minneapolis to Duluth, are even will be established by publishing to Duluth are a cent of the proposal to pla

inclusive.
Duluth asks for transit on grain moving to
Chicago from Montana and beyond. We have
already disapproved the granting of transit a
Minneapolis on Montana grain. The request o
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A proportional rate of 11 cents from Duluth to Sault Ste. Marie, Gladstone and other wes

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Duluth is asking that the rate from Duluth of made not higher than the rate from Chicago, and suggesting that, by reason of the shorter nileage, and proposed lower proportional rate, from Minneapolis to Chicago, the thru rate from Minneapolis to the east through that gateway should ogically be lower than through Chicago. As previously stated, the distance from Minneapolis to Chicago 407 miles. The distance from Minneapolis to Chicago 407 miles. The distance from Minneapolis to Milwaukee is 336 miles. The proposed proportional rate from Minneapolis to Milwaukee is 336 miles. The proposed proportional rate from Minneapolis to Chicago.

With respect to the thru rail-lake-and-rail rates from Minneapolis to the east Duluth is to the east. Duluth is

Milwaukee is 11 cents, the same as from Minneapolis to Chicago.

With respect to the thru rail-lake-and-rail rates from Minneapolis to the east, Duluth is merely an intermediate point in one of the routes over which it is proposed that the rates shall be equalized, and Chicago is an intermediate point in another. The desirability of naving the thru rates over these routes the same thru both gateways, is of more importance than the relative mileages to the gateways, which become less pronounced when nerged into the longer through routes. Distances often vary to a considerable extent between two points over various routes that take a common rate. Generally speaking, it is the rate, and not the exception, that rates are the same over all routes between given points. And it is desirable that, when practicable, this should be so. If the rates here should vary according to a close refinement of mileages to and from the ports, there would be different through rates via Duluth, Manitowoc, Milwaukee and Chicago, all of which are practical routes from Winneapolis to the east. By the port equalization proposed the interior milling point between Winneapolis, the milling and marketing of the plan proposed by Duluth, and concurred in the minneapolis and Chicago would be continued in a parity in the milling and marketing of the plan proposed by Duluth, and concurred in the minneapolis and Chicago would be continued on a parity in the milling and marketing of the minneapolis and Chicago, while Minneapolis could ship out either through Chicago or hrough Duluth at a lower rate than through Chicago.

Equalization of the Duluth and Chicago gate-

Equalization of the Duluth and Chicago gateways on through traffic might present difficulties f Duluth were granted an equalization with Chicago on traffic originating at Duluth. Unler the proposed proportional rates of 11 cents from Minneapolis to Chicago and 5½ cents from Minneapolis to Duluth the through charge via Duluth would then be 5½ cents lower than via

Micago.

We recommend an adjustment under which he through charges from Minneapolis to the east would be the same via the various gateways, so far as this can be done without unduly rejudicing any locality. As the Great Lakes Fransit Corporation is not under federal conrol, and is not a party to this proceeding, we make no recommendation concerning its rates from Duluth.

nake no recommendation concerning its rates from Duluth.

Rates on Grain Products to the East. The present rail-lake-and-rail rate on grain products from Minneapolis to New York is 39½ tents. The proposed rate is 33 cents, made by combination on the ports of Duluth and Chicago, under an equalization of the through rates via those ports. As shown in the foregoing table of rates, there are no through rail-lake-and-rail rates on grain from Minneapolis to the east. The present all-rail rate on grain products from Minneapolis to New York is 34½ cents. The proposed rate is 36 cents. The present all-rail rate on grain is 37 cents. The proposed rate is 35½ cents. The proposal therefore is to nerease the products rate 1½ cents, and to change the adjustment from 2½ cents higher on grain to one-half cent higher on grain products. The latter basis now obtains from Chicago. The proposed rate from Minneapolis vill be made by adding to the rate from Chicago the proposed proportional rate of 11 cents from Winneapolis to Chicago. The proposed thruate on grain from Minneapolis will also be nade on the Chicago combination, the same as at present.

There is no justification for the present rate.

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There is no justification for the present rate on grain products from Minnesota to New York 1½ cents, or other amount, lower than the concemporaneous rate on grain from and to the same points. The flour rate should be at least not lower than the rate on grain. The lower rate on the products from Minneapolis affords

the only exception to this general rule shown by this record to exist throughout the entire northwestern and western grain-producing ter-ritory. The fact, referred to by Minneapolis, that Chicago and other intermediate points can mill in transit, under this rate, grain purchased in Minneapolis does not make the adjustment

An interesting comparison of rates and differentials is offered by the Southwestern Millers League, on behalf of its members in Kansas and other states, who compete with Minneapolis in the sale of flour in eastern territory, and whose rates are generally made by combination on the Missouri River, plus a combination on the Missispipi River or Chicago. The following table reflects the relation between the all-rail rates from Kansas City and Minneapolis to New York, on grain and grain products, from June 24, 1918, to date, and under the proposed adjustment from Minneapolis:

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proceeding: southwestern millers:

the difference between specifics from Chicago on the products of northwestern grain and the specifics from Chicago on the products of grain from territories not embraced in the other two descriptions of territory is nothing to 33 points, one-half cent to 71 points, 1 cent to 1 point and 1½ cents to 1 point.

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Another exhibit filed by Minneapolis covers this situation on grain and shows that to 106 typical points in central freight association territory the rate from Minneapolis would be reduced 1½ cents in all instances except two, in which the increase would be one-half cent. Based upon the difference between the proposed proportional rate of 11 cents from Minneapolis to Chicago, which would apply if transit at Minneapolis should be eliminated and the average transit balances of 8 9-10 cents on wheat and 8 3-10 cents on coarse grain from Minneapolis to Chicago now available under transit, according to computations made by Minneapolis, the exhibit shows that the increase from Minneapolis would be, to all of the 106 stations, 2 1-10 cents on coarse grain milled or sold at Minneapolis. The alleged advantage to Chicago represented by the difference between the specifics from Chicago on northwestern grain and the specifics from Chicago on northwestern grain and from 1½ cents to 4½ cents to the remaining points. The alleged advantage to Chicago represented by the difference between the specifics from Chicago on northwestern grain and from 1½ cents to 4½ cents to the remaining points. The alleged advantage to Chicago represented by the difference between the specifics from Chicago on northwestern grain and the specifics from Chicago on prain from territory not included in the other two descriptions of territory is nothing to 24 points, one-half cent to 79 points and from 1 cent to 2½ cents to 3 points. A check of the tariffs shows a maximum difference of half a cent to the points shown in this exhibit.

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cent to 79 points and from 1 cent to 2½ cents to 3 points. A check of the tariffs shows a maximum difference of half a cent to the points shown in this exhibit.

The proposed adjustment would place the rates from Minneapolis to central freight ass'n territory on the Chicago combination, which would also be the basis to trunk line territory. It would also be the basis to trunk line territory. It would also be in harmony with the general plan of the readjustment to make the through rates via important markets, wherever practicable, on the combination basis. To the 106 points selected as typical by Minneapolis there will be more reductions than increases, and the reductions of 1½ cents are usually more than the increases. The increases of from 21-10 cents to 27-10 cents from Minneapolis resulting from the cancellation of transit will of course be justified if the recommendations herein as to the cancellation of transit are justified. The proposed readjustment of the rates from Minneapolis to central freight association territory is approved.

Rate from Minneapolis to St. Louis.—The present rate from Minneapolis to St. Louis.—The present rate from Minneapolis to St. Louis in the proposed proportional rate of 11 cents from Minneapolis to Peorla and a proposed reshipping rate of 5½ cents. The proposed and a proposed reshipping rate of 5½ cents beyond. This adjustment is to be subject to any lower combination as maximum. The proposed basis is approved.

Sioux City and Omaha to Duluth—There is a proportional rate in effect from Sioux City and Omaha to Duluth. From Sioux City and Sioux City are asking that a proportional rate in effect from Sioux City and Omaha to Duluth. From Sioux City the distince of the proposed proportional rate of 5½ cents from Minneapolis to Duluth. From Sioux City to Chicago. The local rate of Duluth a difference of 87 miles in favor of Duluth. The local rate of 19½ cents from Minneapolis on Duluth is 4½ cents higher than the proportional rate from Sioux City and Omaha to Duluth such a proportio

Indiana Ass'n Holds Big Meeting at Indianapolis

The annual meeting of the Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n was held Jan. 15 in the Indianapolis Board of Trade building.

Pres. Bennett Taylor of Lafayette called the session to order promptly at ten a. m. with

about 200 present.

The invocation was delivered by Mr. H. H. Deam of Bluffton, followed by an address by the president, which follows:

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It has been a great pleasure for me to have served as your President the past two years. During that time great things have occurred and there have been many and rapid changes in business conditions. You have been under government regulations and in many instances are still operating under such conditions. I am indeed glad the grain men have ever been willing to concede readily to any demands the government made during the trying times of the war. Gentlemen, you are to be congratulated for your hearty co-operation. We are gratified to know we will soon have passed from under such regulations. All government restrictions of the grain trade are scheduled to be released by June 1st next.

Those of you who have been holding licenses have no doubt received Bulletin No. 21, issued by Julius H. Barnes. United States Wheat Director, which assures us that the end of official influence and control is in sight. I believe all fully appreciate the service Mr. Barnes has rendered and will gladly study this bulletin and take unto ourselves such warnings as he has given us when such influence has been withdrawn, and continue our business on the sound principle upon which it has always been based. The railroads are to pass to private operation March 1st next. We as grain men will gladly welcome this return, as we believe that now the war is ended, we can best serve our trade with the roads under private operation with the proper governmental regulations.

While some of us may have thought it unnecessary for the government to place us under such restrictions, I believe we can see that we can now derive some benefit from such experience. It has taught us to be more systematic in all branches of our business and especially so in our accounting department. It has taught us to work in close harmony with our government, and in the past I know the grain man has done his full part in working with his government in all war accounting departm

The report of Sec'y C. B. Riley follows:

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The Association has closed another year of activities with a feeling of general satisfaction. We have increased our membership and our surplus. During the first half of the year, many of our members were forced out of business or induced to sell their plants to the farmers who have apparently been made to believe the grain business a veritable bonanza.

Doubtless some have done well by selling out. while in a number of cases others were deprived of that opportunity and have suffered by the construction of new plants to divide the business with them when there was scarcely enough grain to handle to justify the operation of one elevator. This is to be regretted, for the business concern that has an investment in a plant and business for the convenience and service of the community is a real benefactor and should not be driven into bankruptcy or out

of business so long as it performs a real service.

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Much agitation in certain localities by a few farmers, has to some extent disturbed business and so far as we can learn not greatly benefited the agitators. Some of the officers of the Indiana Farmers Federation have been especially active and belligerent, using much newspaper space in the promotion of their propaganda of indiscriminate condemnation of the grain dealers, many of whom have been long established, serving their respective communities in a legitimate, efficient and economical manner on the basis of narrow margins that permit profits only by reason of intelligent and efficient business methods.

Meetings: We have not been able to hold as

basis of narrow margins that permit profits only by reason of intelligent and efficient business methods.

Meetings: We have not been able to hold as many local meetings as usual. We have aimed to go over the territory in the ordinary manner and called numerous meetings only to find from one or two, to much less than a fourth of the usual number in attendance.

The dealers all seem to be waiting for the great day of deliverance from the regulations and we anticipate a real meeting and all-round jubilee June next after the grain business has been handed back to its owners.

The Extremely Short Crops of wheat, oats and corn have prevented our people from handling the volume of business necessary to insure adequate compensation for the capital and labor involved. The quality and condition of the wheat was such that some were induced to bin it up and such as have done that are able at this time to realize a good profit.

The quality of corn is superior to that of many previous years but little of it has been offered for sale and we fear but little will find its way into the market. The scarcity of labor on the farms and the influence of \$2.00 price for corn that obtained during the months preceding the husking season caused farmers to crib it in anticipation of higher prices, and according to our observation when corn does not move freely during the cribbing season, much of it never reaches the market afterwards. In addition to the indicated causes of tardy movement, a general and aggravated car shortage has greatly militated against its movement, so we are prone to believe our members will not be blessed with the volume of business necessary to insure proper compensation for their investments and services.

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The Association Has Been Represented at some of the important conferences of the trade at Washington, New York and elsewhere and assisted in the work of securing the contract with the Grain Corporation which has to some extent been a protection to the dealers against unjust and wholly unwarranted attacks by unfriendly interests.

Mr. Barnes has stated, more than once, that the grain dealers who purchased direct from the producers have so conducted their business and treated the producers so liberally that out of over four million wagon loads of wheat received by country grain dealers and millers from the producers. less than 300 complaints as to price or grade had been made as contemplated in the contract and regulations. We think this is a wonderful showing and highly complimentary.

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When you learn that only two of those complaints were made by Indiana farmers, we think the conduct of our members and their standing before the bar of public opinion justifies compliments rather than criticism such as has been indulged in by one set of fellows whose conception of personal interests seemed to furnish inspiration for a campaign of denunciation. Instead of a constructive policy and program by them for the upbuilding of their organization, a negative and denunciatory campaign against the grain trade has been indulged in. But why complain, for with all the eloquence and columns of newspaper space to prejudice one class against another, only two regular complaints were actually made, as provided for in the Wheat Directors's Contract. One of these was finally decided, after much investigation by the authorities in favor of the honesty and fair dealing of the grain man who had been prejudged and advertised as a profiteer, the charge against him having been inspired by a hireling and custodian of the revenues of the organization that promoted this complaint. The other case was settled as a matter of business policy and not because of its merits.

Transportation: All grain dealers are familiar with the situation with reference to

Transportation: All grain dealers are familiar with the situation with reference to transportation and are anxiously awaiting the release of the railroads from the government operation. We feel confident the ultimate result of this movement will be beneficial and that the theory of government operation of rublic utilities as a complete remedy for many ills has received a body blow. We are prone to believe that relief from the present situation will be tardy in its arrival and a long period

of readjustment and reorganization is ahead with the necessity for some legislation that will enable carriers to build up their equipment and facilities and otherwise enable them to perform the service so badly needed. Two billiare now pending in Congress similar in construction yet not sufficiently uniform as to justify the full acceptance of one as againscertain provisions embraced in the other. The two bills are known as the Esch and Cummina bills. The latter containing provisions designed to prevent general strikes and demoralization of traffic at the dictation of the walking delegate or heads of organizations that may not at all times be actuated by a spirit of highest regard for the welfare of the public The Legislative Committee of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n is at Washington now working on this problem and from what we learn favors some of the provisions of each measure. The Average Grain Dealer favors the operations

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The Average Grain Dealer favors the operation of the railroads by their owners; however they feel that they should be more sensitive to the wants and demands of the shipping public in the matter of service and less technical in their consideration of claims. In many instances claim agents are turning down valic claims and cite Rule 8 (a) of General Order No. 57-A as their authority. We will not now go into this fully for the Transportation Committee of the National Ass'n is working hare on the subject. However, shippers' legal rights are not forfeited by the acts of claim agents or in fact by any administrative rule or regulation, hence we urge the filing of suits when the shipper knows he has been improperly treated. The rules in question being administrative are not intended to in the least deprive claimants of their legal rights. We have hace enough experience with litigation, however, to be slow in recommending it for redressing alkinds of wrongs, but we do recommend it in the matter of valid and meritorius claims declined on technical grounds.

The Interstate's Commerce Commission has

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The Interstate Commerce Commission has decided against the railroads and ordered them to stop the practice of declining meritorious claims after the lapse of two years and one days. This decision results from the complaint of the National Industrial Traffic League in which practically all the carriers of the United States are made parties. This case was predicated on a clause in the B/L and some carriers refused payments even when the claims were meritorious and the real cause of the delay in bringing suit was the carriers themselves failing to consider, reject and return the claims before the expiration of the two years in question. The Commission says, in its decision, that "where a shipper has complied with the requirements of the bill of lading with respect to filing his claim, it is the opinion he is entitled to a reasonable period after the claim has been declined within which to institute suit if he so desires. * * * ."

Philadelphia Exchange: We had a number of complaints about This decision of the street This decision of the street.

Total members in good standing to date.. 398 (310 shippers and 88 receivers.)

Additional stations in good standing..... 85

Dues unpaid to this date. \$965.00; 145 mem-

bers.

Advertising: The surplus accumulations are the direct proceeds from the advertisements in the directory and commission on claims collected. The two items amount to \$1.014.34 this year and substantial amounts each year for the last eight or ten years.

I wish to thank the officers and members for their cooperation and assistance in making the work of the Association during the past year the success it has been, and the only adverse comment I wish to make is on the matter of answering communications by the members.

Next was the treasurer's report by Rort A.

Next was the treasurer's report by Bert A. Boyd, of Indianapolis. which showed that the yearly revenue was \$10,079.84, disbursements

37,994.87, leaving a surplus of \$2,084.97. The use'n bot \$2,000 worth of Liberty Bonds.

Pres. Taylor announced the following

Resolutions: H. A. Lawson, Shelbyville; H. C. Halsliad, Mooresville; W. C. Hayward, Indianapolis; and H. H. Martin, New Castle. Auditing: P. E. Goodrich, Winchester; P. M. Gale, Indianapolis; Wm. Evans, Indianapolis; Fred Heinmiller, Indianapolis.

Nominations: F. A. Witt, Indianapolis; Charles Ashpaugh, Frankfort; Geo. Shoe-maker, Daleville; Walter Schnaible, Lafay-

An address by H. W. Reimann, Shelbyville, followed. His topic was "Business and Associations, Ethics and Ideals."

Mr. Reimann began by putting the audience n a pleasant frame of mind by telling them that an optimist is one who sees a light in the dark and that the pessimist is the fellow who goes along and blows the light out. He arged the people to get away from the pessimistic side of life and to work together for

dealers should try to do. His address is given elsewhere in this num-

That is just what the grain

better things.

As natural as the coming of dawn after the night, did the talk of Hence Orme follow that of Mr. Reimann.

Mr. Orme spoke on "Co-operation." In a ittle introduction he said:

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One of the greatest things we have here in this country is nationalism. We are the model of every country in the civilized world today. Every country strives to be as near like the United States as it can. The liberty and democracy we have here is a most wonderful thing. Let us then, every one of us, try to preserve the constitution.

The greatest gift of God is soil. God spent ages in making this world for us, in making the fills and valleys, in putting reservoirs of gas and oil and layers of metal thru this land for is. Then He covered the surface with mighty soil. You can take everything else away but you cannot take the soil. Bugs may come. Droughts may come. Wind may destroy all the rrops, but you cannot take the soil.

Everything in this world is here for some ourpose. If it were not here for some good reason. I think God would not have sent it lown here.

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I hear you people talking about the trouble-some "bore," how he destroys your crops, how he nearly ruins you. Now I will show you for what purpose that little bore is here.

Remember, years ago, before they started to diversify their farming down south? The best paying crop was cotton and a piece of land raised nothing but cotton. All at once something happened. Remember what it was? There came years and years of the cotton bore. Do you know they never got rid of that cotton bore down there until they started to rotate their crops?

Was not this an indication by nature that too much of a certain substance was being taken out of the ground?

What is happening in Illinois today? The phosphates and the nitrates are being taken out of the soil year after year in the form of corn. What is resulting? The bore is back with us again, indicating that we are taking too much of certain substances out of the soil. Now when a fertilizer containing the phosphates and nitrates are put back in the soil there is a noticeable decrease in the amount of prevailing "bore."

Another instance of the co-operation of nature s the bacterial action changing the crude nitrogen in the soil which can not be used by plants to a soluble nitrate which the plants can take not the season of the son the season of the son the soil which can not be used by plants to a soluble nitrate which the plants can take not the soul when a season of the son the soil when can not be used by plants to a soluble nitrate which the plants can take not the soil which can not be used by plants on a soluble nitrate which the plants can take not the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can not be used by plants to the soil when can take not the

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I have shown you instances of how the great orces of nature are co-operating. Why can't we, the farmer and the grain dealer, co-operate that way?

If the farmers could be educated to your grain lealers' cost of operation there would be much more co-operation between these men. Absence lealers cause them to fight out their conversies between themselves. This results in lard feelings.

The grain dealers and the farmers are in the world's greatest field, the agricultural business. To get success they must work together as rothers, friends and allies.

For years past the farmer and the grain cealer have been shooting at one another at more distance.

They got together in the trenches over in trance and some still lie over there together fer fighting shoulder to shoulder.

Gentlemen, we have got to get together.

The talk took well with the house and many then commented favorably on what was said.

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At the suggestion of Mr. Goodrich, Mr. Orme was voted the thanks of the ass'n.

Pres. Taylor: We will get along much better when the farmer and the grain dealer do get together and become educated to one another's needs.

Meeting adjourned 11:45 a.m. for lunch.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session began at 1:15 p. m. The opening address was on the National Ass'n by President P. E. Goodrich, of Winchester, who pointed out to the shippers that the National Ass'n was ready and willing to help the state ass'n in every way it could. advised that the ass'n should get its views before the conference com'ite. He said that the national com'ite is now in Washington doing all in its power to get cars for the

In your dealing with a railroad about a loss wait only a reasonable length of time before

you put in your claim.

Mr. Goodrich expressed the hopes for reasonable rates in railroad operation but firstly for a system that will give service.

Charles S. Clark, of the Grain Dealer's Journal, Chicago, was the next speaker. He talked on associations and what they have done for the betterment of trade conditions.

In outlining the work accomplished by the National Ass'n, Mr. Clark showed how the ass'ns fought the old shiftless scooping methods. How they stopped the haphazard methods of doing business. By bringing the dealers together there was established a confidence in one another. The better feeling that existed brought business together and at the same time out of the hole.

An actual vote of those present showed that one-half of the dealers had elevators on

ground leased from a railroad.

From the result of court decisions in Kansas and Iowa, Mr. Clark said that six per cent of the value of the land is a fair rental.

A vote on the League of Nations on printed forms given out to everyone was next taken.

The result was as follows: Ratification of League without reservation. .50 Rejection of Treaty and League convenant entirely

Rejection of League entirely, separate from Treaty Ratification of League with Lodge's reserv-

ations Ratification on some other compromise46 basis

Following there came a government stenographer, who took down in shorthand a record of what everyone did not like about the Federal Trade Commission. Everyone told the government man plenty. His ears must be ringing yet.

The statement made by Sec'y Riley, was that the government man was there to hear any complaints that any one had to make about the Federal Trade Commission. It was just a record. The sec'y wanted to know the result of any complaints made to the F. T. C., if any one had ever noticed any bolshevist or radical talk by any of the members of the T. C., also if it had any value to the grain business, any multiplicity in its questions and if the members that that such investigations helped or hindered business.

Mr. Goodrich: The principal occupation of our government seems to be to have investigations. The F. T. C. has sent out tons of blanks for records, useless to the government. Proof that they were useless to the government. Proof that they were useless is, that nothing was ever said or done to persons who returned the blanks, marked, "No available records." Personally I think that the F. T. C. could very well be disposed of. I had one clerk who spent 60% of his entire time answering these unnecessary, useless questions.

Mr. Osman: I am speaking as a publisher. I am continually being bothered with notices from the F. T. C. of Smith or Jones who they say have been unfair in business. In, say six

months, I get another notice cancelling the first about Smith or Jones. If I have already published the statement I got about them, the mere publication by me of a denial of their former statement does not right the wrong done against Smith or Jones. It seems to me that the F. T. C. is trying to find out the amount of commissions paid to commission men in speculative business. They believe, it seems, that the burden is falling upon the

Geo. W. Rohm, Rockville: I am happy it may be over some time.

A. L. Harris, Harris Milling Co., Green-astle: Enough of it, time to quit, the war is over. Let us run our own business again.

C. A. Ashpaugh, Frankfort: Ask if anybody here has anything to say for the F. T. C

W. B. Foresman, N. Y.: It was all right during the war. It is useless repetition now. The war is over so let us stop it.

D. L. Brookie, Frankfort: The F. T. C. has criticism due it, but everything has its good points.

E. Hutchinson, Arlington: The F. T. C. hurts the big fellow worse than the little

J. A. McDonald, New Albany: I have made out and answered all reports asked of me. We have been Americans. We have waited long enough. The war is over. Let us have peace.
O. J. Thompson, Kokomo: We have a

small elevator and can not afford to pay anyone to get reports out so I had to get them out myself at night. Some of the foolish questions I was asked was, "What is the maximum amount of money borrowed in five years?" "What is the minimum amount of money borrowed in five years?" "From whom did you borrow?" I deem it none of their business.

C. S. Clark, Grain Dealers Journal, Chicago: In all my travels among the ass'ns I have never heard one good word for the F. T. C. or its work. I have known men to work night after night getting out these useless reports.

Every meeting of grain men denounces the work of the Federal Trade Commission. The long questionnaire has some purpose, no doubt, but I have yet to learn of it. You gentlemen



H. W. Reimann, Shelbyville, Ind. Pres. Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n.

speak of hiring one man to make reports to the Federal Trade Commission. How about the larger places that have had to hire as many as five men to dig up the desired infor-

Mr. Riley, Sec'y.: "We have had complaints against the F. T. C. at every meeting." "You have the statements made now in mind." A vote taken showed the vote taken showed that the ass'n was unanimous in indorsing everything that was said. F. P. McComas read the following original

The Grain Man.

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It's a pleasure, fer me to tell,

'Bout the ones we know so well.

The grain man, who is he?

Is he the one you common see,

Takin' it easy most the time.

Trustin' things'il turn out fine:

Not carin' a rap who holds the sack,

Or whether the market ever comes back?

That aint him, not on your life,

Not in the grain mans strife.

There's a lot of fellers here today

An' I'm mor' an pleased to say.

This's the finest lookin' bunch of men,

I've seen, lawse knows only when.

We have the younger, an' the older,

Some have the stoopin' shoulder.

There are those who have the cane.

Carried along by the stidled frame.

Then here's the bunch of distinguished men,

We dare not fail to mention them.

They'r on the job, your mighty right

An' what they do, why its a fright.

So when yo'r short an' short is wrong,

They'll face you about an' put you long.

They're a jolly lot, an never sore.

This's the line of that big four.

You know there's Wallace an' Taylor Ben,

Also Charley an' Bert. they come then.

A happy bunch we are you see.

Lookin' fer things worth while to be.

Helped in the winnin' uv the war.

An' guess it's worth the workin' for,

If Kalser Billy gits his pay,

Handed him, in the proper way.

Up to date I've been exempt

An' guess it's worth the workin' for,

If Kalser Billy gits his pay,

Handed him, in the proper way.

Up to date I've been exempt

An' guess it's worth the workin' for,

If Kalser Bound in the proper way.

Up to date I've been exempt

An' since you know all 'bout the fuss.

I'll say but little of the muss.

It aint been long ner very fur back,

I wished some other guy wud hold the sack.

Though our case wus just an' all of uv that,

It made no dif I's on the mat.

You've read the finish all thru an' thru

An' I can't tell uv anything new.

But ye who yearn eternal bliss.

Jist keep yer seat an' list to this.

You know that feller. Uncle Sam,

Set about a modern plan.

Says, "boys you dance to music fine

An' help me cross the river Rhine."

The rivers crossed, don't ne

I. L. Miller, State Commissioner of Weights and Measures, gave a talk in which he showed the grain dealers where they were losing thou-sands of dollars a year. His address is quoted elsewhere.

In conclusion Mr. Miller urged the adoption of the metric system of weights and measures.

L. W. Forbell, New York, spoke on the New

The export market is not clear. The government is gradually releasing its jurisdiction over the exporter. The foreign exchange has hurt business more than anything else. Some firms tho have certain business arrangements to get around the exchange proposition.

The report of a large export business is no doubt true. There may be some exaggeration. In the foreign countries rye is just about as preferable as wheat, therefore there has been

considerable exportation of rye.

The corn export has not been large.

It is the prevailing opinion that Europe is Argentine has been shinning of oats. considerable but an insufficient amount. There probably would be considerable shipped from the United States, but the crop in 1919 was light in weight as well as yield. The foreigners demand that oats run 34 to 35 lbs. per

The report of the Com'ite on Nominations was accepted and the following elected for the ensuing year:

H. W. Reimann, Shelbyville; vicepres., John H. Morrow, Wabash; and as members of the board of managers, Bennett Taylor, Lafayette, and F. L. Wasmuth, Hunting-

C. B. Riley, Indianapolis, will continue as sec'y, while Bert A. Boyd will continue as treasurer

The Resolutions Com'ite report was adopted.

Resolutions.

Railroad Legislation.

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WHEREAS. The future of the railroads of this country is of great importance to the business interests thereof. Be it

RESOLVED. (1) That we are in favor of the passage of legislation which will provide for the return of the railroads to their owners at the earliest possible moment and permit operation by them with as few restrictions in their management as is consistent with the public interest. (2) The public being wholly dependent upon the daily, uninterrupted, continuous operation of our common carriers, we are in favor of the enactment of legislation that will effectually prevent a catastrophe that would call a general railroad strike, and which will at the same time fully recognize the rights of the laborer and all parties in interest.

Cooperation with County Agents.

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RESOLVED, That this Ass'n go on record as favoring anything in the way of cooperation with County Agents and other agricultural interests toward a better understanding and favoring everything that will tend toward better farming, also that the members cooperate with County Agents and agricultural interests to encourage in every way Boys' Corn and Boys' Pig Clubs and such agencies that will help the producer of the future.

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WHEREAS, The work of the Bureau of Crop. Estimates of the Agriculturai Department is of the highest importance to the farmers, grain dealers and business interests of the country by giving advance information of crop conditions and yields and because the accuracy of the reports put out from month to month by the Bureau affect both prices and production of farm products of all kinds; and

WHEREAS. The appropriations by Congress in the past few years have been inadequate to the growing scope of the Bureau's reports and have adversely affected mainly the broad publication of its findings, Be it

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Ass'n that Congress should increase the appropriation allotted to the Bureau of Crop Estimates in the Agricultural Appropriation Bill in
order that, the state and special field agents
should have greater opportunities for examination in person of the territory under their jurisdiction and that the Bureau should be provided
with larger funds to increase the circulation of
their reports among farmers and business men,
whereas the Bureau at this time is giving notice
to the public that its circulation of market crop
reports containing its reports must be seriously
curtailed for want of greater funds

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BE IT RESOLVED. By the Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n that we approve of the investigation of the Federal Trade Commission now being conducted by a sub-committee of the U.S. Senate with a view of making a report upon the value of the Commission as a governmental agency.

Thanks. Thanks.

Thanks.

RESOLVED. That the thanks of this Ass'n be extended to all the speakers for the great value and interest in our program, and we especially commend for careful thought and consideration the excellent addresses of H. W. Reimann and Hence Orme, who in a spirit of broadness and fairmindedness pointed the way for a more harmonious and cooperative relationship between the various branches of business, the farmer and labor.

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RESOLVED. That the thanks of the Ass'n be tendered the President; Secretary, Officers and Board of Managers for the excellent reports of the work accomplished during the year past and the prosperous condition of our organization.

RESOLVED. That we express our thanks to the Indianapolis Board of Trade. Indianapolis Grain Dealers and Millers for the generous entertainment and courtesies extended.

H. Beer of Baltimore explained the method of consigning export wheat to avoid paving the freight tax thereon. A good proposition he suggested, was to get in touch with the commission man you do business with and arrange with him in writing that he should pay the tax. He invariably will do it.

Following was a free for all discussion about many different subjects but the interest seemed to center on shipping conditions. Extracts from some of the discussions follow:

"Some concerns have goods that have waited for shipment going on two months and are still waiting for cars.

Ura Seeger of Marshfield said the farmers of his district were up in arms because they cannot market their grain and after a conference with the grain dealers sent the fol-lowing telegram to each Indiana representative in Congress.

tive in Congress.

ALL ELEVATORS FULL; CARS WANTED.
Our county is in a deplorable condition caused by the extreme car shortage. We called the elevator men of the county together to-day and find all elevators in this county practically full of grain, some of which are so full they have been closed for the last thirty days, not having received a car in that time. This condition exists on the C. & E. I., Wabash and New York Central railroads. As a result farmers are unable to meet their obligations, our banks are in a bad condition and the owners of elevators borrowed and over drawn to their limit. Please use your influence to obtain relief for us.

Warren County Farmers' Ass'n.

"The only way I can get cars is to go down along the tracks and pick up one that has been

"We were told that some cars were unfit to

carry grain. Couldn't get them even when we agreed to do all the repairing ourselves."

"I think it is the labor proposition that is making such a muddle out of government operation. The other day nine men came over to deliver a casting that one man said her could deliver himself. The men took nearly two hours which made eighteen working hours to do a piece of work that one man could do in ten minutes." That is railroad efficiency. under government control.

"If the dealers could get cars we think the . C. L. would be reduced."

H. C. L. would be reduced.

"All lines of business are effected by this car shortage. If a dealer does not make a car shortage. car shortage. If a dealer does not make a determined effort to get cars why some or else will get his."

'Sent telegrams to Senators Watson and Wood for cars who referred the matter to of Mr. Tyler. Mr. Tyler promised that we would get cars in two days. Still no cars. When a get cars in two days. Still no cars. are the cars?"

"We are making no organized effort to get cars. We won't get cars wishing for them. In our territory the corn is heating in the elevators. There will be a considerable spoilage of winter stored corn unless we do make the organized effort. The elevators can't move grain and have been drawing on the banks The banks will need relief soon if some move ment does not begin soon."

The Banquet.

The banquet tendered the visitors by the Ass'ns and the Board of Trade was a most enjoyable affair. An orchestra and cabarett singers kept everyone happy while a tempting dinner was served in the beautiful Riley Room of the Claypool Hotel. Seats had been provided for 375.

After the cigars were lighted with Bert Boyd's non-combustible matches Toastmaster Ed. Raub, Pres. of the Board of Trade, introduced Frank P. McComas of Indianapolis, who read one of his own poems, written in Riley dialect, entitled "The Grain Man's Mesages"

sage. J. P. Shoemaker of Daleville favored ther dealers with a reading of Riley's "Old Glory."

Brig. Gen. F. C. Marshall, who commanded a brigade in the A. E. F. in France gave as the manufacture of the manuf

lucid story of the movement of troops in action and some of the reasons why a few commanders did not remain at the front.

Judge Raymond S. Springer, Commander of the Indiana Dept. of the American Legion delivered an address on "Americanism," and the Assn.'s largest meeting was at an end.

|0.ft,,,,, Other Ohio men in attendance were O. Hall, representing the E. A. Grubbs Grain Co. of Greenville; L. C. Mendenhall from Lima, Frank H. Tanner of Columbus, O., Sec'y of the Ohio Millers' Ass'n, and W. F. Morgan of Columbus, representing Jno. T. Fahev & Co.

Cincinnati was represented by J. H. Martin d Lou McGlaughlin.

Herbert F. Hanks, a licensed grain in-ector, came from Terre Haute.

Wm. Evans of the Wm. Evans Grain Co. as everywhere in prominence with his cheer-I smile and hearty handshake.

Identification badges were supplied by the rain Dealers Fire Ins. Co., Mr. and Mrs. nex conducting the registration.

Mr. E. H. Wolcott, the first president of e Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n, came to take hands with his old friends.

Wm. Howard, sec'y of the Board of Trade, no has an office on the same floor as the setting room, was there with a smile of wel-

E. H. Beer of Charles England Co. came om Baltimore. L. W. Forbell from New ork and J. A. A. Geidel of Geidel & Leubin om Pittsburg.

Toledo representatives include Joe L. Doerg and John W. Luscombe of Southworth & D., C. W. Mollett, and C. O. Schaaf reprenting H. W. Devore & Co.

Walter Summers of Ambia stayed over for millers meeting, notwithstanding rooms are not obtainable. The convention of furnire dealers got in first and none brot their

The convention was like most one-day airs. Many came in just in time to be late to the morning meeting and had to leave durate the morning meeting and had to leave durate. g the addresses at the banquet to catch an ening train out.

Illinois dealers in attendence included R. W. Irder of Hitch & Carder, Chicago, F. L. vis representing Rosenbaum Brothers, D. M. Izenburg, Fairbury; J. B. Jones, Sheldon; ank Jones, Ridge Farms; O. J. Moss, Kemp, d Elvis Weathers from Newman.

Bert Boyd, as in other years, was in promince with his private stock. We don't know o directed the federal agent to the 6th floor r the twenty-six individual bottles of rye. I that he found was plenty of smokes and a mber of dark bottles of No. 2 rye.

The announcement of the government stenrapher to take verbatim reports of expres-ons on the Federal Trade Commission, was surprise that stirred those in attendance. ne opinions expressed regarding the useless ork of the Commission was worth the trip the convention to hear.



H. W. Robinson, Cleveland, O. Pres, Elect. Grain and Hay Exchange.

J. A. Holland, Grain inspector at Lawrenceburg, was present.

Buffalo's delegation included Fred Collins, mgr. Umston Grain Co.; C. C. Lewis, Gee-Lewis Grain Co.; H. F. Keitsch representing Pratt & Co.; E. E. & I. W. McConnell repre-senting the McConnell Grain Corporation; James McKillen representing Dudley M. Ir-win & Co., J. J. Rammacher and F. S. Schoenhart, representing the Electric Grain Elytr. Co.

The Lew Hill Grain Co. distributed cards to convention visitors inviting them to drop in to their offices on the 4th floor for refreshments. This is the invitation handed around: Eats, we have plenty, soft drinks on tap, Our door is open, you don't even rap. Take this for its worth, it's a darn good hunch, Make your plans and follow the bunch. Those who called got a fine free lunch.

The Ass'n's membership roll passed the 400 mark at the meeting. The following Indiana dealers have recently been admitted to membership: J. C. Wilson & Co., Russellville; Farmers Elevator Co., Franklin; H. V. Catron, Lucerne; The Ambia Grain Co., Ambia; Farmers Grain & Supply Co., Thornhope, (Oak P. O.) Pulaski Co.; Cicero Grain Co., Cicero; Fulton Gr. & Lbr. Co., Fulton; McCorkle Bros. & Riley, Flora; Chalmers Grain Co., Chalmers; Geneva Equity Exchange, Geneva, Ind., and one Ohio firm—the Mansfield Elvtr. Co., of Mansfield.

Indiana shippers present included: Robert Alexander, Lafayette; J. P. Allen, Sullivan; C. A. Ashpaugh, Frankfort; J. J. Batchelor, Sharpsville; Robert Bell, Lafayette; A. E. Betts, Frankfort, S. F. Bowen, Felton; N. L. Bradfield, Valparaiso; D. L. Brookie, Frankfort; John Callaway, Ellwood; H. C. Clark, Tipton; A. B. Cohee, Frankfort; L. Cox, Rosedale; T. C. Crabbs, Crawfordsville; Milton Crowe, Frankfort.

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E. L. Harris, Greencastle; J. S. Hazelrigg, Cambridge City; C. A. Hedworth. Romney; Shirl Herr, Crawfordsville; Jaf Holte. Aurora; R. M. Hutchinson, Arlington; J. M. Hutchins, Lafayette; E. Hutchinson, Arlington; J. M. Hutchins, Lafayette; E. Hutchinson, Arlington; L. H. Jordan. Star City; William A. Kessling, Thornhope; C. L. Lauthers, Linsburg; Harley Linville, Bluntsville; Cloyd Loughey, Monticello. J. C. McCammon, Letts; J. A. McDonald, New Albany; D. G. McFaddin, Ridgeville; Wm. Means, Lebanon; P. W. Millikan, Messick; W. Moore, Covington; D. C. Moore, Waynetown; E. C. Moore, Waynetown; E. C. Moore, Waynetown; E. F. Myers, Linsburg; W. G. Myers, Linsburg; Wm. Nading, Shelbyville; C. L. Oldham, Pendleton; W. R. Owens, Montmorenci; C. S. Patton, Morriston; John W. Puttman, New Point.

W. E. and O. H. Reese, Fountaintown; C. F. Reeves, Charlottville; H. W. Reimann, Shelbyville; E. Reveal, Rossville; R. M. Robertson, Brownstown; G. W. Rohm, Rockville; W. E. Rooker, Red Key; A. B. Ross, Oakville; C. A. Ross, Rensselaer; F. W. Rushhaupt, New Palestine; Ura Seegar, Marshfield; C. Sharp, McGrawsville; A. D. Shirley, Dunkirk; J. P. Shoemaker, Daleville: D. R. Smith, Tipton; O. O. Smith, McCordsville; E. N. Smith, Ockley; E. K. Sowash, Middletown; C. A. Stevenson, Frankfort; Frank Strange, Frankfort; H. E. Waltz, New Palestine; C. J. Warneke, Greenburg; E. M. Wasmuth, Roanoke; C. L. Watson, Red Key; W. B. Whitacre, Huntington; H. D. White, Carlisle; W. E. Whitacre, Huntington; J. C. Wilson, Russellville; H. G. Wolf, Morristown; E. T. W

THE LICENSE granted to the Boydstun Elevator Co., of Washita, Okla., has been revoked, effective at noon, Jan. 3, for violation of the wheat and food control acts and the rules, regulations and requirements of the Wheat Director and Food Administration, and also for violation of the conditions of said licenses, particularly including the company's failure to render reports; failure to answer official communications and furnish information and failure to appear or answer when summoned to a hearing before D. F Piazzek, Kansas City.

First Grain Warehouse Licensed Under Federal Law.

The distinction of being the first grain warehouse to be licensed under the U.S. Grain Warehouse Act has fallen to the Mero Mills of Nashville, Tenn., whose plant was illustrated on page 1142 of the Grain Dealers Journal, Dec. 25.

License No. 1 was issued Jan. 12 by the Secy. of Agri., D. F. Houston and will authorize the Mero Mills to issue warehouse

receipts.

Kenneth S. Crittendon, the pres. of the company, was also licensed under the Act to serve as inspector and weigher for the warehouse. The United States warehouse Act provides for the licensing and bonding of warehouses, the issuance of standardized storage receipts, and the licensing of weighers and graders of products stored. The fundamental purpose of the Act is the establishment of a standard form of warehouse receipt for grain and other form of warehouse receipt for grain and other agricultural products that will be readily and widely negotiable as delivery orders or as col-lateral security for loans, and therefore of definite assistance in financing crops. This purpose the Act aims to attain by licensing and bonding warehouses under conditions which will insure the integrity of their receipts and make these receipts reliable evidence of the condition, quality, quantity and ownership of the products stored with them.

IN BUKOVINA, Roumania, any one who does not cultivate his land to the greatest possible degree, is liable to fine and imprisonment under a new order issued by the Minister Delegate.

E. E. Anderson Chosen President at Memphis.

The Memphis Grain & Hay Ass'n has elected Embry E. Anderson as president for

Mr. Anderson has been specializing in the shipment of ear corn, a business that he was engaged in when he removed from Covington, Tenn., to Memphis, four years ago, and since his arrival has endeavored to stabilize this commodity so that it could be merchandised on a more satisfactory basis, with the result that now many Memphis dealers find the ear corn trade to be a very profitable asset to their business. A portrait of Mr. Anderson is given herewith.



Embry E. Anderson, Memphis, Tenn. Pres, Grain & Hay Ass'n.

Business Ethics and Ideals

[From an Address by H. W. Reimann Before Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n]

We have arrived at an age when we should lay aside the continuous battle for the dollar and the dollar only. The last three years have taught us many things, but best and most important of all, the putting of shoulder to shoulder and together fighting for the better things of life; the looking out for the other

The grain dealer stands in an enviable position, in that he stands between the producer and the consumer and is in a position to assist in all movements toward the betterment

A certain organization has adopted the slogan "HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST." The same or a like slogan would be a very fitting one for this Association. same organization defines itself as a body of men whose members believe in service, teach service and preach service in its broadest possible sense. The functions and purposes of this organization can be applied to our own Association, some of which are as follows:

1st. Betterment of the individual member.
2nd. Betterment of the member's business,
both in a practical way and in an ideal way.
3rd. Betterment of the member's home, his
town, state, country and of society as a whole.
For its members this same organization provides activities which will:
1st. Extend their horizon of business experi-

ence.
2nd. Stimulate their minds to travel in unfrequented channels of thought.
3rd. Arouse them to service for others.
4th. Help them attain their greatest possi-

3rd. Arouse them to service for others.
4th. Help them attain their greatest possibilities.
5th. Make them leaders among men.
On the practical side, the Association activities provide an opportunity for increased business through the establishment of cordial, intimate and friendly relations between members. Mark! They provide an opportunity; nothing more, nothing less. If, by participation in Association affairs the member gains the confidence of his fellow members; and if, with this fundamental business asset, he combines satisfactory goods, correct prices and service, his opportunities are often translated into results. Business between members of this Association is not an obligation of the Association—is not its essence, nor is it the reason for the Association's existence—it is only an incident.
On the ideal side, the Association activities provide members with codes of correct practices and high standards in business. In the Association ideals are not mere dreams of aspiration, they are working models for the member's daily life. They are equally applicable to his personal habits as to his business conduct. The ideals of the Association cover all phases of business morality as well as the whole range of the various elements which enter into what is called "SERVICE." The practices and ideals connected with the member's business are happily blended in the following slogan: "SERVICE. NOT SELF—HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST."

The biggest question before us today, the question bothering all countries, is the labor

The biggest question before us today, the question bothering all countries, is the labor question. We must face this question now and determine a solution. In the past it has been said to "Tread lightly for this is dangerous ground and we had better keep off." It is dangerous ground if we do not get onto it and that quickly. We must all realize by now that we must take a hand and lend our weight toward stabilizing affairs.

You are reading and hearing of strikes everywhere; industry interrupted; an economic revolution almost upon us. Each man, employer and employe, has his part to play and will be called upon to play it. Not only is capital and labor interested, but the community at large is mostly affected. How can we best do our part in bringing about a solution of this world-wide readjustment problem?

Business Cannot Be Neutral: The industrial

readjustment problem?

Business Cannot Be Neutral: The industrial situation has reached a stage where the masses are determined that would-be strikers shall show some consideration for the public. The American people do not intend to stand for an autocracy of a class of workers any more than they intend to stand for an autocracy of capital. They intend to see that both labor and capital get a square deal, but that both shall keep in mind the interests of the general public.

We cannot travel a neutral path and weather the storm; we must stand for RIGHT. We should spread the doctrine of SERVICE ABOVE SELF and practice it in our every day walk of life. We have work before us and should awaken to our country's need of men of true heart and

scund mind. It is time to act and strike for the cause of humanity. A man neutral on this subject today is a man afraid.

The principles of all labor unions, as announced in their constitutions and other literature, are not subject to criticism. A man who truly lives up to the principles so announced is a worthy citizen and one who will at all times perform every duty incumbent upon him. Therefore, no right-thinking man can quarrel with or take exception to the principles which underlie the formation of labor unions. But, unfortunately, in every conflict which arises there is a large element of men in every labor union who disregard the principles announced by the constitution and by-laws of their order and look first, last and all the time, to the exercise of brute force and the destruction of property and property rights to gain their demands.

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Relations Between Employer and Employe: This is a subject receiving the attention of thousands of men not only among employers, but of men in all walks of life. We must grant, in the beginning, that a living wage is necessary. What is a living wage and how is it determined? This is a question open for argument. You can only upon investigation and experience, determine the answer. It varies in different localities.

Labor is asking a larger share of the joint product of money and labor and there is merit in the claim, but the chance of getting it is not advanced nor the justice of it more widely recognized by the refusal of labor to produce. The true wage is exceedingly hard to determine, for articles that were formerly luxuries are now listed as necessities.

Labor and capital are closer today than in any period of life. The grimy lad in the engine room and the pampered son of the "boss" were drafted under the same law; they trained in the same camp; they went "over the top" shoulder to shoulder. This should have its effect and be a factor for harmony in the future. There must be no "standpat" attitude by either labor or capital. Business must be stabilized before labor can be largely employed; production must be maintained before labor can be benefited.

The outstanding fact in the world today is that the masses are demanding and receiving an increased share in the determination of their own lives. There is no such thing as "Private Business." All business is public in the sense that the management and the public are involved in the way it is conducted.

Service is the Test of Business: When we realize that all business must be tested by the service it renders; when we come to the realization that all business man because they have never been taken into his confidence. Labor has opposed scientific management because of the lack of understanding. Do you re

No Man His Own Boss: No business is so large that it can afford to lose the human touch. Let us pause a moment and ask ourselves this question, "Can a man be his own boss?" There is no man living and no man ever has lived who can be or was "his own boss." Not only his customers, but trade conditions, financial conditions, public whim and fancy, all "boss" and dictate the policy of the business. Just so does the community have an interest in every business.

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Don't ask anyone to be loyal to you, ask them to be loyal to themselves. To possess the continued admiration of those with whom you come in contact and do business, you must continue to do things. The farmer who grows and delivers good quality of grain to you should be so compensated and encouraged. The practice is to the interest of the producer, ourselves and the consumer. It will mean better quality and better quality will eventually mean QUANTITY.

Boys' corn clubs and boys' pig clubs should be encouraged for the best interests of the boys, the community and humanity at large. These boys are the producers of the future and if they start right it will mean much to the world from the standpoint of food.

Do you individually, or through your firm, take an interest in civic and community betterment? No person nor business can live unto itself alone. Your interest must be felt and your influence must reach out into your community. By becoming interested in public playgrounds and parks, in churches and schools, you are aiding in affording recreation and better living conditions for those who reside in your community.

Grain Dealers have fully justified their existence when they perform a distinct service and this does not mean a service that is detrimental to their own interests, but a service itheir chosen vocation and in their respective communities means profit, in fact a doubly profit, one to their community and one to them selves. All the impulses, motives, ideas an economics of life, of work, of business, of society and of government are old, old subjects "Old stuff," but they are fundamental, the fundamentals of a successful life and business. The oldest and soundest rule we know is the Colden Rule. This means service. "Do unto others as we would they would do unto us, "doing it first" and always. This was never strue as today when every ideal on an economic basis is becoming practical and is on the eve of accomplishment. In our business methods ampractically in our advertising and personal contact, let us preach right citizenship and right thinking. This is the cure for unrest and alof our ills. We must not profiteer in citizenship any more than in business. We must give 10 per cent value in both. We must thinking few How few think justly of the thinking few.

well as of others:

"How few think justly of the thinking few How many never think, who think they do."

Let me read to you a practical creed for now adays. This was found among the papers of one Thomas Van Aistyne, an electrical engineer for the Westinghouse, who died at Hanley, Camada, October, 1913. This creed is suitable for all classes of men and if adopted and followed would end all business troubles:

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1. To respect my country, my profession and myself. To be honest and fair with my fellow men as I expect them to be honest and squarr with me. To be a loyal citizen of the United States of America. To speak of it with praise and act as a trustworthy custodian of its good name. To be a man whose name carries weight wherever it goes.

2. To base my expectations of a reward of a solid foundation of service rendered. To be willing to pay the price of success in honest effect. To look upon my work as an opportunity to be seized with joy and made the most of, an into as painful drudgery to be reluctantly endured.

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3. To remember that success lies within my self—my own brain, my own ambition, my own courage and determination. To expect difficulties and force my way through them. Turn hard experience into capital for future use 4. To believe in my proposition. To carrian air of optimism in the presence of those meet. To dispel ill-temper with cheerfulness kill doubts with a strong conviction and reducactive friction with an agreeable personality.

5. To make a study of my business. To known y profession in every detail. To mix brain with my efforts and use system and method imy work. To find time to do every needing thing by never letting time find me doin nothing. To hoard days as a miser hoards delars. To make every hour bring me dividends increased knowledge or healthful recreation.

6. To keep my future unmortgaged by debts. To save as well as to earn. To cut out expensive musements until I can afford them. To stee clear of dissipation, and guard my health cooking and peace of mind as a precious stock it trade.

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So I may be courteous to man, faithful the friends, true to God, a fragrance in the path I tread.

"THERE is one quick and effective way to put a stop to this business baiting; that is for all business to present a united front to such measures as the Kenyon, Gard and Siegel bill measures as the Kenyon, Gard and Siegel bill and all the others that they typify. It seem impossible that a thinking legislature could approve such a measure as either the Gard or Siegel bill, but a good many of us have growing suspicion that legislatures do not think. Under the Gard bill, business would be approved the form that the most the most of the control o compelled to live from hand to mouth. Th Siegel measure would necessitate a course in bookkeeping with each five-cent' purchase while none but a college professor could appreciate the necessity of a retail price that was over a dollar. A particularly evil feature of this type of legislation is that while feature. of this type of legislation is that while fash ioned with the ostensible purpose of reducing the cost of living, a bill such as that of Ken yon will actually and necessarily tend to ad vance prices, not to reduce them. That is something for the general public to keep in mind when it is inclined to be amused rathe than alarmed by the legislative antics in Washington."—Pres. Merrick of Chicago Ass'n of Commerce.

Winter Problems of Grain Dealers Sixty Years Ago

By Florence L. Clark

The grain men of the northern Mississippi valley now care little whether there is a anuary thaw or not. Time was before the ailroads had bridged the Mississippi to eastern Iowa and Minnesota when a January thaw neant a peck of trouble to the grain dealers,

not enormous loss.

During the season of navigation from April o November it was cheaper to ship wheat by boat than rail and the commission men preerred St. Louis to Milwaukee and Chicago is a market. But when the river had closed over with ice then Dunleith, Ill., and Prairie lu Chien, Wis., the only upriver terminals, ecame the objective point of all grain shipnents, and Milwaukee and Chicago were the narkets until boats arrived the following

Everything depended upon the ice roads. When navigation ceased the greater part of the eason's wheat crop was still on the farms nd it was in December and January that nost of the hauling to market took place. fauling to market those days meant hauling to the river landings, for the Mississippi was he only outlet for the grain fields of northern

owa and Minnesota,

Through December every warehouse on the iver banks and, there were hundreds of them, lled with wheat. Meanwhile the great absorbng topic of the commission men, townspeople nd farmers was ice forming on the river. he season were normal, the ice before Christvas was thick enough to bear the weight of load and team., As soon as that happy vent occurred, roads were staked over the iver and grain began moving over the ice oads to Prairie du Chien and Dunleith. It vas the rush time of the year, for together vith wheat all the commission men handled rozen dressed hogs. From a hundred to two undred miles back from the Mississippi hrough December and January the trains o ob sleds piled with grain and hogs slipped long over the snow trails to the river land-On reaching their destination and sellng to the commission men the teams were ept going over the ice to the railroads on ne east side of the river.

All went well as long as the mercury stayed own and the ice road remained firm. Ninety own and the ice road remained firm. ays of continuous crossing were had some ears. Sixty days, though, was about the verage that the grain men counted on. Let January thaw come and there were sleepless ights and plenty of worry for commission nen and everybody else concerned. The ice ecame "rotten" and teams and loads broke

through, and were lost or rescued with danger to the rescuers. Sometimes the mid-channel would open up and have to have a bridge put in. This meant using boats across the open space, a device which was resorted to occa-

A PROLONGED JANUARY thaw made even this kind of crossing impracticable and all chance for getting over the river to market disappeared. Terrific congestion followed at the Iowa and Minnesota landings. Accounts in the newspapers of those times tell of the levees and streets about the river warehouses packed with teams of grain and hogs waiting to unload, with the warehouses already crammed to the roofs.

The hogs were the greatest worry of the commission men. With no place to store them there were times when they had to stack them like cordwood on the streets and place guards over them at night. Thousands of hogs sometimes accumulated. The only salvation of the dealers was to have a cold snap come and the river close up solid. this happened their troubles were not over, for congestion was almost certain to follow at the railroad terminals.

After harrowing times of this nature and the period of no transportation facilities which always occurred in February and March, the between-ice-road-and-navigation season, it is little wonder that the final break-up of the river in March was a time of rejoicing, and

the day the first steamer arrived from the south a veritable holiday.

At the sound of the whistle, the whole population of the different towns would gather at the wharf and cheer lustily as the boat landed. The captain was showered with praise and the commission men vied with one another for shipping space to relieve their bulging warehouses. Just before the arrival of the first boats the market at the landings had dropped almost to the bottom. Buyers from St. Louis, Milwaukee and Chicago usually preceded the first boats to take advantage of the low market. Says one of the Iowa river town newspapers of March 10, 1858, "There is no change in our market. Wheat is more active and it is said buyers are in town with 'piles of money' to purare in town with 'piles of money' to purchase at a price as high as fifty cents, but a thoro search qualifies us to say that 45 is the top price so far. All anticipate a rise as soon as the ice goes out. The present spring-like weather will soon bring us the welcome scream of a lower steamer. Then look out."

HOW ANXIOUSLY the arrival of the

first steamer was awaited is gathered from "The river is wide open, but with the exception of the Ferry steamer and the Winfield of Johnsonport we have had no sight of steamer. We cannot account for the delay in arrival. Warehouses up river are filled with regin and the difference in favor of St. with grain and the difference in favor of St. Louis as a market for wheat and oats over Chicago and Milwaukee ought to start the boats up."

What happened when boats did come is learned from this statement of April 21, "Vast quantities of grain go down river daily to the southern market. Every boat is loaded to

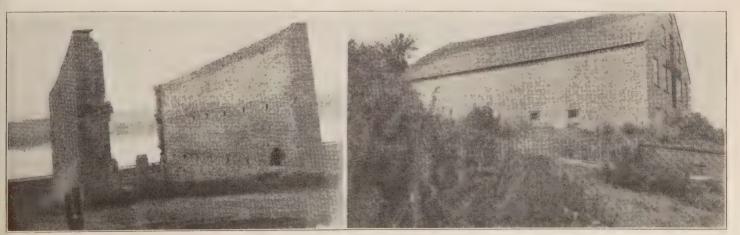
the full."

Steamers were making trips to Iowa towns usually a month before navigation was open clear to St. Paul. It was an event of annual exciting interest when the news came that the first boat had made its way through Lake Pepin to St. Paul. What the first arrival meant to the northern port is gathered from the fact that the city used to grant free wharfage for the season to the boat which docked first in the spring.

ALL THAT REMAIN to tell the story of those pioneer grain buying days when the Mississippi River was the Iowa and Minnesota grain dealers' only means of transportation are the abandoned warehouses which here and there may be seen on the river banks. Most of the early day warehouses were hardly more than shacks. These have were hardly more than shacks. These have long ago disappeared entirely. At some towns. though, large stone buildings were erected by though, large stone buildings were erected by grain buying concerns or in later years by the steamboat companies. Some of these buildings have been wrecked to provide material for buildings of modern days. Some have been devoted to other uses as the old warehouse of the Diamond Jo company at Guttenberg which now houses a pearl button factory. Still others have succumbed to the rayages of time and are but ruins. The levee ravages of time and are but ruins. The levee of Clayton, Iowa, one of the largest wheat and flour ports of early days, is lined with these old stone ruins.

OATS have continued to show independent strength and the action of the December strength and the action of the December which went to quite a premium over the May on the last day of the month, reflects a very firm situation. In spite of the unsettled exchange market, the volume of oats sold recently for export is reported to be very large. Offerings to arrive have been much smaller, though large amounts were sold recently mostly for long time shipment. sold recently, mostly for long time shipment. Cash demand is good with cereal interests and shippers in the market. Premiums are well maintained.—W. H. Perrine & Co.

FLANSEED and linseed meal remain on List A of the British embargo, which prohibits exports except under license, according to a cablegram Dec. 29 from the American Consul General in London.



Ruins of Old Warehouse at Clayton, Ia. Abandoned Diamond Jo Warehouse at Guttenberg, Ia.

Country Elevator Accounting--VII

The Cash Journal

By C. A. Lovell

The cash-journal, as its name implies, is the record in a bookkeeping system in which is recorded the entries relating to cash received and disbursed; and where entries not involving the movement of cash are placed in the course of their transfer from the place of original entry to their final disposition in the ledger. In earlier accounting practice it was the custom to use a cash book and a journal for the purposes mentioned, but grad-ually these two books were altered and their usefulness extended until the combination cash-journal had been evolved.

Forms of combination cash-journal are numerous and varied, each having been worked out to conform to the special needs of an individual business. The business of all country elevator operators is quite similar in many respects, and altho no business is exactly like another there are certain principles and broad features of resemblance that make it possible to design a form of cash-journal that will be applicable to practically every country elevator. A form that will meet the principal requirements is shown in the engraving reproduced herewith. When, for any reason, this form cannot be applied to a given business it will be necessary only to change it in some of its less essential features, and after these changes have been made it will be found that the following description of the form that is

attered form.

THIS FORM may be ruled to order exactly as shown, or a stock form of multiple column as shown, or a stock form any stationer, figuring book, to be had from any stationer, may be adapted by using rubber stamps to

presented herewith will serve as well for the

insert the column headings.

Description of the Form.

An examinatin of the form illustrated will show that columns are set aside to each of the following items: Cash, Ledger, Bank, Date, Details, Wheat, Corn and Expense, and that two blank columns are provided. If it is desired, other commodities, such as Oats, Coal, Flour and Feed, Posts, Tile, etc., may be given columns; and one or two blank columns should always be arranged for in order that there may be space for the record of transactions in additional commodities.

Most of the column headings are self-explanatory. The use of the word "Deposits" and "Checks" as sub-heads under the Bank column is for the purpose of making these items clearer. Of course a deposit made in the bank is a debit to the bank account on the books of the business, and a check drawn against the bank is a credit, but deposit and

check are words that are more easily understood. The column for Check Number is provided to make it easier to locate a given check in the cash-journal. In the Detail column the explanation of each entry is to be placed. The column for Account Number, following that for Expense, is provided for the record of the number of the individual expense account to which an item is to be charged; it being presupposed that the business will be conducted under some plan of separating expense items into various classes.

Making Entry in Cash-Journal.

To illustrate the cash-journal entries for certain transactions, the examples that have already been given will be used.

These examples have appeared from time to time in this series of articles, which began in the Journal for Oct. 10, 1919.

The first of these detailed the opening of a country elevator by winess, with the following.

country elevator business with the following financial facts to record on the books:

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Value of Elevator		\$8,000,000
Value of Real Estate		500.00
Value of Furniture and Fixtures		. 200.00
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Cash in Office		. 50.00
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Analysis of these facts will sho	W	that the

following debit and credit separation can be

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\$13 750 00 Individual ledger accounts must be opened for each of these general accounts. The cashjournal provides separate columns for bank and cash and the respective amounts may be set down in those columns. No separate columns are given for the elevator, real estate, furniture and fixtures, proprietor or bills payable, and these items must be entered upon the cash-journal in the column provided for the ledger. The cash-journal will then present the following appearance, with the explanation "Opening Entries" set forth in the Detail column:

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A prominent feature of the cash-journal found in the fact that it makes it unnecess to post to ledger accounts a mass of individ items, permitting these to be posted in month totals. In this case, it is not required that cash and bank items be posted immediately the ledger accounts. They can wait untitotal is obtained at the end of the morn The items for Elevator, Real Estate, Furnity and Fixtures, Proprietor and Bills Payamust be posted immediately and individuate to the proper accounts in the ledger.

A Grain Purchase.

When a wagon load of wheat costing \$ is purchased from a farmer the following tries will be indicated on the cash-journal: Debit.

Wheat Credit.

wheat will require this entry: Debit.

The Farmer.....

The entry to the wheat account, and that the bank, will go in the cash-journal colum having these respective headings, while be entries to the farmer's account will be place in the Ledger column. The principal columnary be posted monthly. These are Car may be posted monthly. These Bank, Grain Columns and Expense.

A sale of grain involves essentially same entries as a grain purchase, except they are reversed in the case of a sale.

What the Cash-Journal Shows.

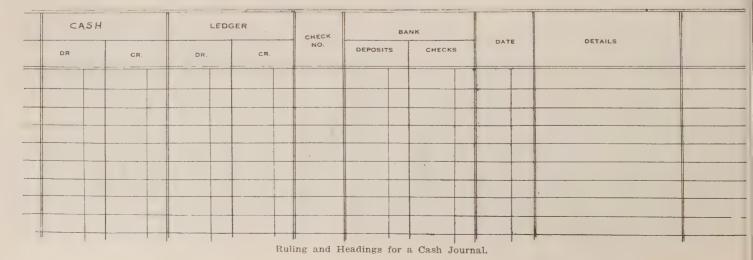
The value of any book in an account! ystem lies in the information which it give The prettiest book is not always the my valuable, nor is the ugly one always to

The cash-journal has been styled a busing barometer, and such it may be made if form is properly conceived and its operation correctly followed.

At the end of each day the total of debit footings on the cash-journal must agr with the total of all credit footings. The prove the cash-journal to be in balance. difference between the debits and credits the ledger, excluding those of Cash, Bar Grain Accounts and Expense, must agree w the difference between the total of the deand credit columns under the Ledger head! on the cash-journal. This provides a cont on the accounts and columns under consid-

At the end of each month the totals in 1 Bank, Cash, Grain Accounts and Expense coums are to be posted to the respective leds accounts. When this is done the debits accredits on the ledger itself must balance. To gives a "trial balance" of the work.

At any moment the difference between 1 debit and credit total on the ledger cash count, plus or minus the difference betwee the footings of the cash column on the cash



arnal, will show the amount of cash which ould be on hand in the office. The difference tween the debit and credit total of the lger bank account, plus or minus the dif-rence between the footings of the Bank colin on the cash-journal, will give the amount cash in the bank, or the amount of the erdraft if one exists.

The footing of the debits standing to the heat account in the ledger, plus the footing the debit column of the Wheat account on cash-journal will show the total cost of the present moment. The credit totals will ow the value of wheat sold. Similar treat-ent will give the same facts for any other

Total expenses may be learned immediately adding the amount shown on the cashurnal to the amount already posted to the

little practice will enable the bookkeeper learn many things from his cash-journal it he could only learn otherwise by laborious ort, and if the bookkeeper himself has a pro understanding of the basic laws bit and credit he can use a cash-journal to od advantage. The one who does not un-rstand these laws may sometimes be in nger of becoming confused.

ONE CAR of No. 1 dark northern spring leat sold on track at Chicago Jan. 8 at 49, the highest price on the crop.

THE 7/20 cent per bushel on wheat in store all not be paid to dealers by the Grain Corration unless every effort has been used get cars. It is the view of the Grain Corration that the dealer has not used "every unless he has reported to the Vicees. in charge of his zone the fact that he filed orders with the railroad for cars d asks the vice-president to assist him in ting cars for the purpose of making ship-

THE IOWA CORN PRODUCTS Co. has been ornized in New York with a capital of \$1,-),000. The officers elected were O. J. Mereh, pres.; A. N. Higgins, vice pres.; F. T. garty, treas.; R. D. McConologue, sec'y. ie new company says that arrangements ve practically been completed for the conuction of a grinding plant having a capacof 10,000 bus. per day. J. F. Fogarty, Despines, Ia., writes that the initial work will begun in the spring.

FERTILIZER for the spring of 1920 will be short supply, owing to strikes cutting down oduction. There is a world shortage of acid osphate, reports W. D. Huntington, pres. the National Fertilizer Ass'n, on his re-n from a 3-months' stay in Europe. The uation over there is far more alarming in it is here, for they have practiced more ensive cultivation that we have, and are solutely dependent upon the use of large

antities of fertilizer per acre.

Car and Price Troubles in Western Kansas.

Shortage of cars and discrepancy in prices of wheat are responsible for an acute situation between wheat growers and wheat buyers in sections of western Kansas. A farmers association in Ellis county made certain investigations, and at the invitation of the Chamber of Commerce of Hays, presented their case at the weekly luncheon of the Chamber on Jan. 13.

The farmers seem to hold a grievance particularly against the Hays City Flour Mills, a large manufacturing plant which has access to more cars than the farmers' organization. For some reason, Ellis seems to be getting more cars than Hays for wheat-shipping pur-The farmers are of the opinion that wheat growers ought to have first right to

grain cars.

Mr. Chittenden, chairman for the farmers, before calling on several farmers who had evidence to present, said, The greatest problem is the shortage of cars. The ruling of the Utilities Commission in 1916, to the effect that when the elevators in a given territory were compelled to close their doors because of being loaded to capacity, the railroad must deliver cars, was superseded by war regula-tions. The 1916 ruling has not been restored and the farmers, as a result, are compelled to seek assistance and co-operation in order to sell their wheat at a fair price. In the counties concerned cars are necessary to the continuation of business, for the elevators are full much of the time. A wide discrepancy in prices accordingly prevails.

The situation in Hays is further complicated by the fact that the elevator owned and operated by the Farmers' Co-operative Ass'n burned on Nov. 17, and the Association has not been able to find suitable housing. A ruling in Kansas forbids portable elevators standing on the railroad right-of-way; but the Ass'n is applying for a permit to make use of a portable loader until a new elevator is ready.

Mr. Chittenden read the following Notice to Grain Dealers, sent out by the Fair Price Committee of Rush County, as a basis of procedure by Ellis County: as a possible

Believing that the grain dealers of Rush county, Kars., are willing to buy wheat from the farmers, at a fair profit and at a live and let live price,

The undersigned members of the "Fair Price Committee," of said county, having before us the question of buying and selling wheat, make the following findings and orders:

1. The evidence shows: That the expense for buying wheat in Rush County, and for shipping to, and selling wheat on the Kansas City market, does not exceed the sum of 16 cents per bushel.

2. The evidence shows that wheat produced a Rush County will bring the top of the market Kansas City for each respective grade.

3. We understand the top of the market at Kansas City to be the highest price paid for the highest test for any grade.

4. The top of the market at Kansas City shall be considered to be the best price paid for any particular grade, testing the highest and 5 cents less than the high test for a lower test on each grade, with the following, as shown by the evidence, as the test and grade for wheat:

Grade 1. Test 60 or better.
Grade 2. Test 59 or 58.
Grade 3. Test 57 or 56.
Grade 4. Test 55 or 54.
Grade 5. Test 53, 52 or 51.
No grade. Test 50 or lower.

5. The evidence shows that the purchasers of Rush County wheat buy the same on a basis of the market at Kansas City, as shown on the day previous to the day of purchase.

We conclude that a margin of 6 cents is a fair net profit to be made on a bushel of wheat, bought in said county, produced therein, to be ground into flour, to be shipped to Kansas City or nearer markets, for sale, or to be sold, on track, at the place of purchase, in the county.

It is, therefore, considered and ordered by the committee, that in purchasing wheat in said county, for any of the purposes mentioned herein, the purchaser shall pay such price per bushel which added to the before mentioned 16 cents, shall not leave a balance between such purchase price and the top of the market at Kansas City on the day previous to the day of purchase, to exceed the sum of 6 cents per bushel, as a fair net profit.

bushel, as a fair net profit.

This order shall take effect and be in force from and after its receipt by the respective buyers of wheat in said county. It is further ordered, that these findings and orders shall be published in the several newspapers published in said county, and that a copy of the same be sent to Hon. Ed Hackney, the Fair Price Commissioner of the State of Kansas.

These findings and orders are subject to change at any time, when, in the judgment of the committee such change shall be deemed

This fifth day of January, 1920, La Crosse,

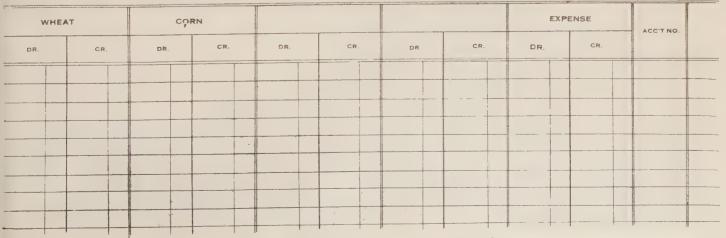
Following this report of the general situation, Mr. Chittenden became specific. Recently he hauled two loads of wheat to the Hays City Flour Mills, for which he received \$2.52 per bushel, for 55 lb. test wheat, and \$2.54 per bu. for 56 lb. test wheat. The next day he learned that at Ellis a farmer had been paid \$2.65 per bu. for 56 lb. and 55 lb. test wheat, on the same day of his own sale

L. Kraus calculated a difference of 12 cents between Ellis and Hays prices. He insisted, as did all the others, that co-operative organization would make for stability in price, provided the car shortage was relieved. mills and elevators in this section are so full that it is daily becoming more difficult to induce them to buy at any price.

Mr. Mikelman presented his tickets for dealings at Ellis, as follows: \$3.00 per bu. for 56 lb. test wheat. The following day he took a load of 57½ lb. test wheat to the Farmers' Elevator. This elevator was full, and he had to accept \$2.65 per bu. at another elevator. On the same day the price at the Hays City Flour Mills was \$2.65 for 571/2 lb.

test wheat

AT THE CONCLUSION of the report by the farmers the president of the Chamber of Commerce reported that the Chamber had,



by wire, taken up the matter of cars for the Farmers' Ass'n, and that a representative of the Chamber of Commerce was in Omaha

the Chamber of Commerce was in Omaha pleading for cars.

Mr. Williams to begin with recalled that the Hays City Flour Mills sold the Ass'n an elevator about five years ago, and had done everything possible to foster the Association's growth. He further stated that it was always the desire of the Mills to co-operate to the fullest extent with the farmers, reserving the right, of course, to make a fair profit. The following alternatives he presented for action by the farmers: action by the farmers

action by the farmers:

1. The Hays City Flour Mills will turn over the Kruger elevator, property of the Mills, to the Farmers Ass'n, to be used by the Association until its new house is ready. This house may be made ready for use at an expenditure of not more than \$500.

2. The Hays City Flour Mills will store and handle wheat bought and paid for by the Farmers Ass'n until the new house is built.

3. The Hays City Flour Mills could refuse to buy wheat.

Mr. Williams explained that the wheat market had broken, going down from 10 to 15 cents per bu. in the last week, and that those cents per bu, in the last week, and that these buying wheat at an advanced figure were doing so at a risk, taking a chance in speculation. He agreed that the shortage of cars the bettern of the whole trouble. He was at the bottom of the whole trouble. He commented on the fact that the United States Grain Corporation allows a minimum profit

of 8 cents per bu, contrary to which the Rush County Fair Price Committee recommends a margin of 6 cents.

The Farmers' Ass'n did not accept any of the alternatives offered by Mr. Williams. Instead, they insisted upon a permit for a portable elevator until they could rebuild. Furthermore, they agreed to the appointment of two committees one composed of members of two committees, one composed of members of the Hays Chamber of Commerce and the other of members of the Farmers' Ass'n, to work together to solve the questions of car

shortage and price-fixing.

THE DEPARTMENT of Agriculture, Buro of Chemistry, claim that the addition of screenings, weed seeds, foreign grains or similar substances to grain is adulteration. The addition of water to increase the moisture content of grain is also adulteration, even if the resulting moisture content of the grain is less than is permitted by law, says the Buro in its circular of Jan. 9.

Feedstuffs

Buffalo, N. Y.—The Mutual Millers & Feed Dealers' Ass'n met here Jan. 23 at the Statler Hotel.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Nelson Grain & Milling Co. expect to add machinery for the manufacture of corn meal.

MEETINGS of the Eastern Federation of Feed Merchants will be held Feb. 11 at Syracuse, N. Y., and at Boston, Mass., Feb. 13.

Memphis, Tenn.—The Quaker Oats Co.'s new plant is progressing rapidly, and the mixed feed plant is to be in operation by April 1.

Kansas City, Mo.—A car of No. 1 Kansas alfalfa weighing 54,720 lbs. last week sold for \$984.96. This is the highest price ever paid in this city for a car of alfalfa hay.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.—The official staff of the Riley Feed Co. has been reorganized. H. V. Bahlau has retired from active management of the concern and has been succeeded by

of feedstuffs during the year 1919 were 3,150 tens compared with 3,360 tons in 1918.—Geo. Munson, chief inspector, Cincinnati Grain & Hay Exchange. CINCINNATI, O .- The receipts of all kinds

WILLIAMSON, W. VA.—The Tug River Feed Co. has just completed its building. The concern is capitalized for \$50,000. The principal stockholders are Fred Hutchinson, Col. F. L. Schoew and Fred Brumister.

MADISON, WIS.—We are desirous of installing machinery for the manufacture of molasses feed and would like the names of firms who manufacture equipment for this kind of a mill.-H. P. Brown Co., Inc

MEMPHIS, TENN.—The Chickasaw Feed Co. has been incorporated to do business in Shelby County. The capital stock is \$10,000, and among the incorporators are R. E. McCaughn, W. C. Drummond and F. S. Millington.

CLINTON, IA.—The Superior Molasses Hog Feed Co. has remodeled the Clinton Brewery into a feed factory, making 60 tons of feed daily. Louis Lohberg is pres. and M. J. Dannatt, vice pres. and sec'y. Louis Lohberg is pres. and treas., and Indianapolis, Ind.—The Thomas-Boyce Direct Feed Co. has been incorporated to man ufacture grain products. The capital stock \$900,000, and the incorporators are James Boyce, Jas. G. Thomas and Edward J. Boyce

SIOUX CITY, IA.—The Alfalfa Products C at its annual meeting held recently electe the following officers: President, Axel La. the following officers: President, Axel Lasson; vice president, R. Merrill; secretary and treasurer, J. Chicoine, and Wm. Mize man ager. It expects to double its capacity within the next few months.

Jackson, Miss.—The Aviston Flour Consistency of the Savage maked the firm expects to turn out 150 tons of mixed feed in addition to the present whole the business in flour and crain. The committee of the business in flour and crain. sale business in flour and grain. The company will turn out molasses horse, cattle, dair and hog feeds. The present plant is located in a large brick warehouse. The Avistor Flour Co. was organized in 1915 with H. Schlafly of Carlisle, Ill., pres., A. J. Schlafly also of Carlisle, vice-pres., and W. T. Gober Jackson, Miss., see'y, treas. and manager.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—The Memphis mixed fee: interests sent a delegation to Washington of Jan. 10 to join with Nashville, St. Louis and other centers in protest against a raise i rates on blackstrap molasses. The increase rates on blackstrap molasses. The increase of 4 cents a hundred was first known upon the arrival of the new tariff announcing the raise to take effect after Dec. 31. The local delegation consisted of J. B. McGinnis, trafficommissioner for the Merchants Exchanges W. T. Smith-Vaniz, S. T. Pease, J. T. Mongan and W. A. Hall. Considerable blackstrap molasses is used in large amounts in this territory in the preparation of sweet feedless.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The receipts of feed stuffs at this market during December were stuffs at this market during December were 17 cars bran, 3 cars of shorts, 246 cars of cotton seed products and 13 cars of poultry feed; compared with 26 cars bran, 6 cars shorts, 167 cars cotton seed products, 5 cars of poultry seed in December, 1918. The total receipts for the year 1919 were 89 cars brand 6 cars shorts, 12 cars alfalfa products, car chopped oat feed, 617 cars cotton seed products and 46 cars of poultry food as compared with 83 cars bran, 18 cars shorts, cars alfalfa products, 8 cars chopped oat feed 413 cars cotton seed products and 8 cars cotton se 413 cars cotton seed products and 8 cars e-poultry food in 1918.



Westbrook Grain & Milling Co.'s Plant at Pine Bluff, Ark.

A MERGER of Penick & Ford, of New Oreans, with the Douglas Co., of Cedar Rapids, a., is rumored.

ALBANY, N. Y.—Barber & Bennett, Inc., has egistered the words Fort Orange as its tradenark. The words are written in a half circle nd are used on stock, horse, dairy and poultry

Cottonseed received at the mills from Aug. to Dec. 31 amounted to 2,868,795 tons. uantity crushed during this period was 2,357,-02 tons. The amount still held in mills on Dec. 31 was 536,118 tons, as reported Jan. 19 y the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

THE ACTION recently taken by the Railroad Administration canceling all rates on black-trap molasses imported from Cuba, putting he old rates back into effect, will hurt many nixed feed men. The feed manufacturers ave contracts sold ahead to deliver feed conaining molasses, price based on the molasses reight rates just canceled. The old rates reight rates just canceled. The old rates gain put into effect are much higher and the eed manufacturer will have to stand the loss. A queer thing about the order that was issued anceling the rates is that it contained the words "issued Dec. 19, effective Dec. 31," but he order was sent to trade on Jan. 2.

In England at the present time a ton of wheat mill feed for cattle feeding costs \$90.02 ber ton, while a ton of wheat costs but \$72.73, ccording to Major Wheeler, M. P., in a disussion in Parliament with the Parliamentary ec'y to the Board of Agriculture, Mr. McJurdy. In reply Mr. McCurdy disagrees with Curdy. In reply Mr. McCurdy disagrees with he major. He admits that the price of wheat \$\$90.02 per ton, but says that the price of coarse mill feed is \$61.28 per ton, while the ine feed is worth \$70.56 per ton. Mr. Ratelliffe, M. P., in the discussion asked the ec'y if he was aware that the farmer who ells his wheat for \$90.02 per ton must if he vishes to produce milk and meat pay the said crushing companies \$121.66 per ton for eed crushing companies \$121.66 per ton for eeding cakes.

FEED SHIPMENTS to manufacturers should be labeled with the net weight. In Service and Regulatory Announcements, 3, Item 299, the buro announced that cottoneed meal in sacks of uniform size is re-;arded as food in package form, and should near a plain and conspicuous statement of the net weight of the contents. There appears to be some doubt among members of the trade as o whether this ruling applies to shipments nade to feed manufacturers for the purpose of using in mixed feed and where the product loes not appear on the open market in the briginal unbroken packages. The Food and Orugs Act makes no provision for exempting rom its operation shipments which are intended for manufacturing purposes. Cottonseed neal in sacks of uniform quantity of contents should therefore bear a statement of net weight, regardless of the ultimate disposition of the product says the Buro of Chemistry in ts announcement of Jan. 9.

Export of Feedstuffs.

November export of feedstuffs, compared with November, 1918, and for the ten months ending November, compared with the ten months ending November, 1918, as reported by the Buro of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, is as follows:

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Louisville, Ky.—The old Ferncliffe Distillery is now the Ferncliffe Grain & Seed Co., having a capital of \$25,000. The company expects to begin producing feeds in a short time. Several other distilleries and breweries have remodeled their plants for the handling of grains and feeds

DENVER, Colo.-The Rocky Mountain Mixed Feed & Feedyards Co., under construction in this city, was inspected by fifty business men, stockmen and bankers recently. The when completed will cost \$175,000. It have a large mill for grinding alfalfa and for the manufacture of alfalfa feed. The plant will have a large elevator and a 200-foot hay storehouse. In all the plant will cover 73 acres.

Kansas City, Mo.—The receipts of bran at this market during December were 52,920 tons; compared with 152,340 tons in December, 1918.—E. D. Bigelow, sec'y, Board of Trade.

Johnson City, Tenn.—The Treadway Feed & Seed Co. has been incorporated in this city with a capital of \$35,000. G. E. Treadway, J. W. Franklin, D. M. Quinn, P. E. Divine and W. B. Milam are the principal stockholders.

CINCINNATI, O.—The Nutritia Co. is the name of the concern formed last month when Squibb-Carter-Squibb Feed Co., of Lawrenceburg, and the Eikenberry-Fitzgerald Co., of Cincinnat, combined. They have offices of Cincinnat, combined. They have offices in the Carew building. Officers of this company are: N. E. Squibb, pres.; E. C. Eikenberry, vice-pres.; R. S. Fitzgerald, sec'y; and E. A. Fitzgerald, treas. and general mgr. They are manufacturing and selling feeds and are buyers and sellers of grain, mill feed, hay and

THE CHAIRMAN of the Canadian Wheat Board on Jan. 5 announced that in order that the consuming public of Canada can have advantage of the lower prices of flour in the United States permits will be issued for the importation of the American product.

THE WHEAT and flour trade and officialdom would do well to realize that the former are now under official guardianship not because such a state of things makes for the good of the community, but simply because this is part of the evil aftermath of war, which cannot for the moment be got out of the way. It is of the essence of officialdom to move on certain well-defined lines, or rather in a very narrow groove. In a Government office to which the supervision of business has been delegated, business has to accommodate itself to the rules of the office, whereas in a private trader's office the chief and all his assistants have to put their own personal inconvenience aside and to grasp business as and when they can find it.-London Corn Circular.



Marco Mills, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Grain Handling Plants of Pine Bluff.

Pine Bluff is one of the leading cities of Arkansas and has tributary to it the grain and feed trade of a considerable territory. It is situated on the Arkansas River, which is navigable from one end of the state to the other, and enjoys railroad facilities as the junction of the main line of the St. Louis Southwestern with the Valley Division and the Pine Bluff branch of the Missouri Pacific, and the Pine Bluff & Arkansas River Ry.

The three leading grain interests of the city are the Marco Mills, the Westbrook Grain & Milling Co., and the Riley Feed Mfg. Co.

THE MARCO MILLS.

The ownership and management of the Marco Mills changed hands last August. This mill, serving the South and Southwest with corn meal and mixed feeds, is now operated as a corporation and officered by John F. Weinmann, pres., Guy Williams, vice-pres. and sec'y, and H. L. Remmel, 2nd vice-pres. and treas. The operation of the plant is under the management of Guy Williams.

The elevator capacity is 100,000 bus. bulk grain, and the warehouse will accommodate 600 The corn meal mill has a daily production of 1200 bbls. while the mixed feed plant turns out 12,000 sacks of feed in a ten-hour

run.

The elevator is equipped with Fairbanks Receiving and Hopper Scales. Richardson Automatic scales are used in the corn meal mill and the feed plant. The machinery is operated by electric motors having a total of 675 h.p. and a gasoline engine of 250 h.p. Westinghouse Generators have been installed. The power for the motors is derived from the city plant in part, and from a privately owned power plant. owned power plant.

Gauntt mixed feed machinery is used and the molasses storage will accommodate 100,000

WESTBROOK GRAIN AND MILLING CO.

The Westbrook Grain & Milling Co. was organized in 1912 and its elevator and mixed feed plant was constructed in the same year by Kaucher & Hodges.

The elevator has a capacity of 25,000 bus. bulk grain and the two warehouses built in connection will hold 150 cars of sacked grain or feed. In addition to the mixed feed plant, which turns out 120 tons daily, the Westbrook Co. also operates a corn meal mill of 250 bbls. daily capacity. The plant is located on the Cotton Belt Railroad and has a private side-

The elevator is of iron-clad construction and has nine bins. It is equipped with both track scales and sacking scales. The elevator also has one Howes Cleaner. The mixed feed plant turns out several grades of poul-try feed and alfalfa feeds. The corn sheller has a total capacity of 300 bus. per hour.

RILEY FEED MANUFACTURING CO.

The molasses mixed feed plant of the Riley Feed Manufacturing Co. has a daily output of 30 car loads of feeds. The firm specializes in live stock and poultry feeds of all kinds and is a jobber in flour, corn, oats, mill feeds and sweet feeds.

The company was formerly known as the Riley Commission Co., but the name was changed in 1916. The general manager is W. P. Cook.

Overthrow of the United States government by force and violence could not be advocated in print or speech under the bill introduced by Representative Sterling of South Dakota, and which passed the Senate Jan. 20, with a substitute known as H. R. 11430 by Graham of Pennsylvania. In view of the fact that the Constitution provides for orderly and lawful change in our government to the most radical extent there is not the slightest excuse for an infinitesimally small minority to attempt a change by violence.

The GRAIN COURNAL.

Recommendations on Railroad Legislation.

The National Industrial Traffic League having previously presented its views on rail-road legislation to the Senate and House Com'ites, has given further consideration to Bill HR ten four five three as amended and passed by the Senate and respectfully submits the following additional recommendations, to joint Conference Com'ite of the Senate

We oppose continuation of Federal control after March one nineteen twenty.

We advocate striking from the Bill all reference to a Transportation Board and favor reposing all regulatory authority in the Interstate Commerce Commission.

We advocate striking from the Bill provision requiring compulsory consolidation of carriers, but favor voluntary consolidation subject to approval by the Commission.

proval by the Commission.

We favor inclusion of so-called anti-strike legislation substantially as proposed in Bill as amended by Senate, except to substitute the Interstate Commerce Commission for the Transportation Board. If the Joint Conference Com'ite cannot agree on these provisions the League then favors enactment into the law substantially present Canadian Arbitration Act with the added provision that the findings of the Commission shall be made public within ninety days.

The League favors that portion of Section 6 of the Bill beginning with line fifteen and ending with the word "secured" in line twenty-three, page one hundred.

We are unalterably opposed to fixing by legislation any specific minimum or maximum rate of return or the distribution of so-called excess earnings leaving to the Commission the provision of adequate revenue.

We favor provision in Section forty-four beginning with line ten, page one hundred eighty, to line six, page one eight two inclusive, with following exceptions: Strike out words "one hundred twenty days" lines two and three, page one eight one, and substitute words "six months." Strike out words beginning with the word "if" in line eight and ending with word "and" in line twelve, page one eight one.

We recommend that the words "six months"

"and" in line twelve, page one eight one.

We recommend that the words "six months" be substituted for the words "ninety days" and "four months" in line eighteen, page one eighty-eight. We also recommend that the following sentence be added after the word "notice" in line twenty-three, page one eighty-eight: quote Provided further that in computing such period for institution of suits period of Federal control prior to the passage and approval of this Act shall be excluded, unquote.

We endorse the provision of the Bill begin-

The struction of suits period of rederal control prior to the passage and approval of this Act shall be excluded, unquote.

We endorse the provision of the Bill beginning with line fifteen, page eighty-five, to and including line nine, page eighty-eight, with the following language added after line nine, page eighty-eight: quote That all reparation or other claims arising out of transportation over common carriers under Federal control made against or filed with the Director General or that may be filed with the Director General or that may be filed with the Commission within ninety days after this Act becomes effective, shall be under the control of the Commission and subject to orders of the Commission, which shall act in the place and stead of the Director General in receiving, considering and disposing of all such claims; and to this end the Director General shall turn over to the Commission all records, files and papers in his possession at the date this Act becomes effective relating to reparation claims, and the records, papers and files or any part thereof, relating to other claims shall be accessible to the Commission. Any payments in settlement of any claim shall, as to that transportation or part thereof performed by any carrier or carriers operated by the Director General, be made out of any of the monies or funds described in this Act for the liquidation and settlement of shippers' claims arising during Federal control shall not run or be computed against the statute of limitations governing formal procedure concerning any claim referred to in this Section, if formal procedure be begun within the period defined herein, unquote.

We recommend the incorporation of the following additional provision after line twelve,

We recommend the incorporation of the following additional provision after line twelve, page ninety-two: quote That upon the conclusion of their work all records of the offices of the Directors of Public Service and Traffic. and of all freight traffic com'ites of the United States Railroad Administration shall be turned over to the Interstate Commerce Commission, unquote.

We oppose any consolidation of the express companies that will substantially lessen the competition which existed prior to the formation of the American Railway Express Co. and therefore oppose any legislation that will permanently continue that consolidation. We favor legislation permitting consolidation after thoro investigation and approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission to the extent that reasonable competition will be preserved.

Scale Inspection in Indiana.

Before the Indiana Grain Dealers Ass'n recently I. L. Miller, state commissioner of weights and measures, read a paper on scale inspection in that state, from which the following is taken.

lowing is taken.

How many of you systematically care for, and test your scales? A few days ago we heard of a pair of scales which had been in use for 40 years, and so far as we know, has never been tested. I do not believe that scale owners as a class are dishonest, but I fear many are almost criminally negligent. Our chief inspector tested a coal scale a few weeks ago and found it weighing several pounds long on the ton. The owner calculated, from his volume of business of the previous year, that he had lost two thousand dollars. The owner of a newly purchased flour mill called an inspector to test his scales. Tests showed the scales to be weighing enough against the miller to cost him practically all his profit. The inaccuracy of your scale may easily represent the difference between a bare existence and a legitimate profit. Do you know your scale?

Tests on about 1,000 wagon and truck scales

profit. Do you know your scale?

Tests on about 1,000 wagon and truck scales last year showed an average of one out of four inaccurate. Of twenty-one wagon scales tested in one of our small county seats, twelve were condemned as unfit for weighing until proper adjustments were made. There is no reason to believe that the showing would be any better among those scales of the state which have not been tested. After all, scales are only delicate, mechanical contrivances, and are subject to the same ills as all other machines of like delicacy. Why then their neglect?

Why then their neglect?

A farmer claimed pay for forty bushels of wheat from his local elevator operator in excess of what the elevator scales showed. An inspector of the State Department found the elevator scale correct but the farmer's scale was weighing about one pound long on each one hundred. In another case a disagreement arose between shipper and buyer over a car load of corn, the buyer claiming a shortage of two hundred bushels. Through the services of an inspector the difference was adjusted and an amicable settlement made. I wonder if you have ever considered how many bushels of grain have gone to your competitor or to the next town because of the wide spread impression that your scale was not correct and that you were no better than a swindler. Impressions of this sort often arise through comparison with some other scale that has no more claim to accuracy than your own, but only careful tests can establish the truth.

The efficient inspector is familiar with the

The efficient inspector is familiar with the mechanism of scales and knows where to find the common scale troubles. He makes minor adjustments without charge and returns the scale to service. In case of more serious defects, he condemns the scale for repairs it cannot again be used until such repairs are made by the owner or manufacturer. Only when the scale is irrepairable is the scale permanently condemned.

Vessels arriving in England lie at the dock a week waiting to be unloaded on account of the shortage of cars to move the freight.

A BILL for a law punishing purchasers or sellers of foodstuffs who do not intend to deliver or distribute has been introduced in the House by Representative Chas. Brandt of

To supply reasonably full rations for importing countries, we want this season from the Southern Hemisphere some 40,000,000 quarters, and towards this quantity over 11,-000,000 quarters have already been shipped, and some 17,000,000 quarters are on hand, leaving 12,000,000 to be furnished from the new Argentine crop. We think we may yet obtain this quantity, seeing that the promised surplus previous to the frost was 17,000,000 quarters, but at the same time we cannot refrain from expressing great regret that the Argentine surplus should have been cut down at the eleventh hour. The super-abundance promised in early summer has been steadily reduced in North and South America and in Australia, so that the theoretical quantity now is only just about equal to estimated requirements. It is true, there is confirmation of abundant supplies in South Russia, but this grain cannot be obtained, and some steamers which have gone out to the Black Sea have had to come away without cargoes.—Corn Trade News, Liverpool.

Sue Railroad for Loss.

Nelson & McCaustland of Atlantic, Ia., have brot suit against the C., R. I. & P. R. R. Co. to receover \$2,271.13 lost thru falling markets because of the negligence of the railroad company in transporting grain to market.

pany in transporting grain to market.

The seven counts of the petition set forth the shipments and losses as follows:

Aug. 30, 1919, car of shelled corn from Lorah to Chicago. Arrived at destination Sept. 17, 15 days overdue. Sold for \$1.48 a bushel, 18 cents a bushel below what the market was on day car should have arrived. Loss, \$260,40.

Aug. 21, car of shelled corn from Lorah to Peoria. Arrived at destination Sept. 16, 23 days overdue. Sold for \$1.68½ a bushel, 19½ cents a bushel below what the market was on the day car should have arrived. \$303.55.

Aug. 18, car of shelled corn from Hansen Heights to Peoria. Arrived at destination Sept. 16, 25 days overdue. Sold for 23 cents below what the market was on day car should have arrived. Loss, \$263.25.

Aug. 21, car of shelled corn from Hansen Heights to Peoria. Arrived at destination. Sept. 16, 19 days overdue. Sold for \$1.68½: a bushel, 19 cents below what market was on day car should have arrived. Loss, \$302.95.

Aug. 27, car of shelled corn from Hansen.

Aug. 27, car of shelled corn from Hansen Heights to Chicago. Arrived at destination Sept. 16, 19 days overdue. Sold for \$1.39½ a bushel. Loss, \$509.40.

Sept. 1, car of shelled corn from Hansen Heights to Chicago. Arrived at destination Sept. 16, 12 days overdue. Sold for \$1.40 a bushel. 26½ cents below what market was on day car should have arrived. Loss, \$291.60.
Aug. 27, car of shelled corn from Lorah to

Chicago. Arrived at destination Sept. 30, 31 days overdue. Sold for \$339.98 less than what market was on day car should have

New President of Peoria Board.

The name of Miles is one of the best known and oldest associated with the Board of Trade of Peoria, Ill., and the selection of W. S. Miles to serve the Board as president for the ensuing year is a happy combination of an old name with the new blood that is giving the institution increased vigor and activity.

Mr. Miles was born at Peoria 43 years ago and after attending the public and high schools went to Princeton University, where he was graduated in 1899 with the bachelor of arts degree. He is a son of P. B. Miles, and after leaving the University was taken into the old firm of P. B. & C. C. Miles.

Besides being active in the grain business of the firm Mr. Miles has found time for public service.

lic service. He holds a commission as first lieutenant in Company H, second battalion, 7th Regiment Illinois Reserve Militia, is a trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church, a member of the Creve Coeur Club and of the Peoria Country Club.



W. S. Miles, Peoria, I Pres. Board of Trade

Brown County Farmers' Elevator. Claremont, S. D.

The Brown County Farmers' Elevator Co. of Claremont, S. D., just completed an elevator of Claremont, S. D., just completed an elevator and is now prepared to handle grain in a most efficient manner. The accompanying ut shows the lines of its plant.

Mr. Henry Hinrichs, the manager, is also rice-president of the company.

The company's new elevator is 32x37 feet on the ground and cribbed 56 feet to the aves, with 5 feet additional cribbing in mid-lle. The cupola is 16 feet wide and 20 feet ligh, running the full length of the elevator. has 14 windows, allowing plenty of venilation and light, as well as taking advanage of the fire underwriters regulations. Each of the two concrete slabs, on each side of he boot tanks, is 24 inches thick, and thoroly reinforced with 3/4 and 3/2 inch rods. On top of each slab is a concrete wall, 14 inches vide and 18 inches high, which allows the pin bottoms to receive the required angle to its without the use of posts under the house. The two boot tanks are provided. The tank which accommodates the receiving pits is 27 c9 ft. on top, and 10 ft. deep, allowing the ront pit to hold 500 bus. of grain. The boot ank next to track is of a smaller type, and

akes care of the screenings from cleaners

also receives grain from cars.

THE MAIN elevator has 22 bins, 4 deep half hoppered bins, and 18 full hopper bins, which are drawable to the gang cleaner. The d bins over the driveway hold 300 bus. each. These bins are used for seed or feed grain, and each of them discharges to the wagon while it is on the dump scale. This gives the plant an actual storage capacity of 41,500 bus. Three legs run to the top of elevator. wo receiving legs are equipped with 11x8 Minneapolis "V" riveted buckets, placed 9 nches on center on a 4 ply rubber belt. The rack or third leg is equipped with 10x5½ rack or third leg is equipped with 10x5½. Empire buckets, which take care of the screenings from the cleaner and the grain shipped in in carload lots. The number 700 cleaner akes care of the cleaning both for seed and commercial use. The plant is built of the nattese cross type, allowing the installation of other cleaners when needed.

THE DRIVEWAY is 14 ft. wide, and inclosed 22 feet ahead of the dump scale, using concrete retaining walls and dirt fill for both approach and exit ends of the driveway. lump scale is a 26x8, 10-ton Fairbanks-Morse into truck scale, equipped with a trap door grate. A 6-ton Fairbanks wagon and coal scale takes care of their extensive coal busi-

1ess.

In connection with the elevator is a large ize flour house used for storing flour or feed One corner of this shed is partitioned off and a car puller installed. This drum carpuller will handle 12 cars at one time and is driven from the overhead line shaft in workfloor. The ground under workfloor, around boot and under driveway is covered with 4 inch floor of concrete, making a plant that cannot be undermined by rats. A safety nanlift is installed to gain access to cupola.

THE ENGINE ROOM and office are of the bungalow type, built 10 feet detached from driveway. The engine room, being located in the basement, is constructed according to the underwriters' specifications. A 100 barrel sistern is used to cool the 20 h.p. engine which drives the plant. A generator equipped with storage batteries is used to furnish light for

the entire plant.

The office is divided into three rooms, and access is gained to engine room from office by means of a hallway, which complies with insurance regulations and at the same time allows the operator to be inside while entering the engine room. The wagon scale beam operates from inside of office, which is finished with compo board well painted, and % x2 inch strips laid in panels. All the woodwork is highly stained and varnished. The office floor is of Hard Maple. The outside of office is sided with 4 inch lapsiding, well

The entire plant, except the office, is covered with 6 inch lapsiding and shingles. The T. E. Ibberson Company designed and built the plant.

Blumson Is Captured.

Herman J. Blumson, who forged Bs/L aggregating over \$400,000, as reported in detail in the Grain Dealers Journal Aug. 25, page 347, has been placed under arrest at Johannes-

burg, South Africa.

Detectives located his wife and family in Johannesburg, where they resided for years, and read all the incoming mail. One letter from Blumson informed his wife, Leah, that he would be home on a certain date. Thereupon the police decided to aid in his reception

and were on hand when he arrived.

Detective Sergeant Edward Kelly of Chicago will go to South Africa to bring Blum-

back for trial.

Blumson formed the Star Cereal & Milling Co. at Chicago and in its name issued the forged Bs/L. July 21 he left the city over the Michigan Central for Detroit and disappeared. Greenebaum Sons bank was a heavy

Blumson was not a grain dealer nor even a His profession was rug peddling.

THE AMERICAN Road Builders Ass'n will hold eleventh National Good Roads Show and their tenth American Good Roads Congress at Louisville, Ky., Feb. 9 to 13. There will be interesting, entertaining exhibits of road materials and road machinery. Every kind and class of device and appliance for saving of labor and for producing better results will be shown so that officials, engineers and contractors may become familiar with their operation and mechanism. Moving pictures illustrating the road building industry, a dinner given by the ass'n, formal reception and ball and other social features will provide the entertainment for the delegates and guests.

Settlement of Claims for Loss and Damage.

The United States Railroad Administration has issued the following instructions, as the result of the Interstate Commerce Commission's recent decision in the case relating to the two-year and one-day limitation for the filing of suits on loss and damage claims, as provided in Section 3 of the B/L

"The Interstate Commerce Commission has held in the Decker Case, I. C. C. Docket 10696, that it does not construe the limitation in the B/L as prohibiting the payment after two years and one day of meritorious claims if seasonably filed.

"Claims on account of shipments moving prior to Federal control, if filed within the period prescribed in the B/L, should be paid or declined on their merits, notwithstanding the two year and one day clause in the B/L. provided that in every case, the consent of the corporation to such payment is first obtained.

"Until further notice claims on account of shipments moving during Federal control, if filed within the period prescribed in the B/L, should be adjusted on their merits, notwithstanding the two year and one day clause in

"Extreme care should be exercised in the settling of all claims of this class so that there will be no discrimination."

The period for the filing of claims has not been changed. This period, as prescribed in the B/L, is six months after delivery of the property, or, in case of failure to make delivery, then within six months after a reasonable time for delivery has elapsed.—J. S. Brown, Manager Transportation Department, Chicago Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, ILL.—The International Crop Improvement Ass'n has been organized with J. W. Nicholson of East Lansing, Mich., as sec'y-treas. The pres. is R. A. Moore of Madison, Wis.; and 1st v. p., C. H. Cutler, Edmonton, Alberta.



Farmers Elevator at Claremont S. D.

Storage for Wheat on the Farm

Prof. H. C. Filley, of the agricultural department of the University of Nebraska, says:
The lowest price for No. 2 wheat on the Chicago market, taking the average for the past ten years, has not come during the threshing season, but in January and Feb-

The high price for the year, based upon these ten-year averages, comes in May, at a time when farmers are apt to be busy with spring planting. Most men cannot market any very considerable part of their crop at this time, so must sell during the preceding months. The high prices of July and August are not quite typical, being influenced by the abnormally high prices in 1917, just before the federal government fixed the wheat price.

If the Nebraska farmer can thresh early and market his wheat at once, he receives on the average a better price than if he holds it until the winter months. Difficulty of securing labor at threshing time, insufficient elevator capacity, and car shortage make farm storage a necessity.

If our wheat goes to market more rapidly than demanded for milling and export, it must be stored.

The farmer should therefore be prepared to store his grain until an opportune time. The man who stores grain from the time it is threshed, must receive pay for his service. The grower of grain may as well perform this service and receive the pay.

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Nebraska farmers, particularly in the western part of the state, lack storage facilities. In one township in Keith county, where a complete survey was made and which may be considered typical, there is storage room for only about two-thirds of the small grain normally produced. A few farmers have surplus storage room, which is used only in years when either the acreage of grain or yield per acre is above normal. Thirty per cent of these farms have either no storage or only sufficient for seed and feed, and 60 per cent have insufficient storage in seasons of normal production. When the acreage is large and the yield per acre high, nearly all are compelled to market at least a part of their crop direct from the threshing machine.

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Conditions in the older settled portions of the state are naturally better, but in such a prosperous county as Dodge, approximately one-third of the farms lack sufficient storage room for their small grain in a season of normal production. This is fairly typical of conditions in other counties where a survey has been made. Many farms have surplus granary room in ordinary crop years, but about one-third of the farmers are compelled to market at least a part of their grain when threshed. Quarter-section farms with storage for only 500 or 600 bushels of threshed grain are not unusual, while occasional farms report even less. Evidently only feed and seed can be retained, and all market surplus must be sold direct from the threshing machine.

Less provision is made for the storage of ear corn than for the storage of threshed grain. Johnson is the only county from which I have reports which seems to have any surplus of

W. F. Shepard, St. Joseph, Mo.

crib room, and one-half of the farms from which reports were received in that county lacked storage room for a normal crop. The surplus storage upon other farms is doubtless due to a change in type of farming—an increase in the acreage of winter wheat and a consequent decrease in the acreage of corn.

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Car shortage seems to be a chronic ill during the fall and winter. This shortage has actually worked to the advantage of some farmers by compelling them to hold their grain until the price was higher. Men without storage facilities have lost grain under such conditions, as well exemplified by the present loss in western Nebraska. They cannot expect the railroads, however, to supply sufficient cars to move all wheat to the terminals in a space of two or three months, or for enough storage room to be provided at the terminals to care for all the grain even if it could be shipped. When the grain is shipped more rapidly than it can be cared for, when shipping space and storage room become scarce, we must expect a decreased demand and consequent lower price.

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The tendency to sell grain as soon as it is threshed and let the terminal elevators care for the storage must naturally result in increased speculation. The grain stored on the farms has always been a balance wheel, steadying grain prices. The very fact that it was a reserve supply that could be sent to market at any time has made market manipulation more difficult. The larger the proportion of our grain that a few men can control, the greater the difference between the price at threshing time and the high price of the year.

Michigan Bean Jobbers Meet.

The midwinter meeting of the Michigan Bean Jobbers Ass'n, held at the Cadillac Ho-tel, Detroit, Jan. 15, was called to order by Pres. Christian Breisch with a good attend-

Mr. Breisch reviewed the work of the Ass'n during the past few months toward getting a protective duty on imports of Asiatic beans, outlined the various steps by which the market for beans declined, referring to the cheaper than Michigan offerings of Kotenashi and California beans.

Mr. Breisch and Mr. Biles were appointed a com'ite to confer with the Grain Corporation at New York to sell 300 cars of Michigan beans for export on behalf of the Ass'n at \$7.75 per 100 lbs. for 30 days' shipment.

Mr. Madsen of Lansing gave a description of bean growing and handling in Japan, which he visited recently.

On motion by J. M. Coup of Saginaw the by-laws were amended as follows:

"All brokers who are handling beans for dealers within the State of Michigan who are members of the Michigan Bean Jobbers' Ass'n shall be paid and receive a uniform brokerage of 1 per cent for all beans handled and sold by them on direct sales."

A number of other changes in the by-laws were considered and referred to a com'ite to report at next meeting.

E. L. Wellman moved that the decisions of the arbitration com'ite be published in the trade journals.

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RESOLVED, The convention urges all members of the Ass'n to promptly comply with the request of our officers and return the questionnaire, regarding the reporting of all stocks of beans in their nands unsold.

RESOLVED, That our officers investigate our present methods of inspection and take such necessary action as to correct any discrepancies which would cause the present high grade of Michigan beans to suffer.

W. F. Shepard with Sloan and Simmons.

W. F. Shepard, who traveled for the Merriam Commission Co. out of Omaha for a number of years and who for the past year has been manager of that company's office at Sioux City, has joined B. V. Sloan and W. W. Simmons, Jr., in the Sloan-Simmons Grain Co., of St. Joseph, Mo.

He will look after the outside interests of the company, and will probably do more or less traveling. He has made many friends in the trade who will be glad to meet him again.

North Dakota's State Mill in the Mire

The South Dakota Legislature instructe the state's Buro of Markets to investigate the advisability of installing state owned milletc., with the result that Director Don Live ingston has investigated and found nothin commendable in North Dakota's effort to corduct a milling business. In a recent ope-letter to the organ of the Non-Partisan Leaguin South Dakota he says:

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Editor of the South Dakota Leader, Mitchel S. D.:

My Dear Sir—My attention is called to tli statement that you are submitting a marked card of prices paid by the Mill and Elevator Assn. of North Dakota, dated Nov. 17.

According to your paper, the prices paid be the North Dakota state owned mill are:

Subclass Dark Northern Spring, No. 1—58 lb test, \$2.93; No. 2—57 lb. test, \$2.83; No. 3—556 lb. test, \$2.83; No. 4—54 lb. test, \$2.73; No.

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I beg to submit the following market care issued by the Stokes Milling Co. of Watertown S. D., and published in the Watertown Publi Opinion of Dec. 2, 1919. This mill has a capacity of 1,200 bbls. per day. Its products second to none manufactured, and is sold in competitive markets of the world.

Prices paid by Stokes Milling Co.: Darl Northern Spring, 60 lb. test, \$3.10; 59 lb. test. \$3.05; 58 lb. test, \$3.00; 57 lb. test, \$2.95; 55 lb. test, \$2.85; 54 lb. test, \$2.95; 55 lb. test, \$2.85; 54 lb. test, \$2.95; 55 lb. test, \$2.85; 54 lb. test, \$2.55; 56 lb. test, \$2.95; 55 lb. test, \$2.65; 50 lb. test, \$2.55; 56 lb. test, \$2.55; 50 lb. test, \$2.55;

OATS should be cheaper in Winnipeg than in Chicago, or St. Louis or Milwaukee, apparently; but as a matter of fact, according to late quotations, Winnipeg oats are 9 or 10c per bu. higher than in the middle western cities. The explanation is that the bushel of oats at Winnipeg contains 34 lbs. At present prices there, this would make a difference of about 6c per bu. Next the difference of explanate which at present rates would counter. about 6c per bu. Next the difference of exchange, which at present rates would count for a trifle over 8c per bu., working out in an actual transaction at 9c or 10c. In other words, a buyer here could send a draft for \$850 to Winnipeg, where it would pay for \$1,000 in oats. These two factors, taken in connection with a higher inspection grade in Winnipeg and a local shortage are given as sufficient reasons to account for the difference

Grain Trade News

Reports of new firms, changes, deaths, casualties and failures; new elevators, improvements, ires and accidents are welcome. Let us hear from you.

ARKANSAS

Hope, Ark.—The report that our office was recently burglarized is untrue. We have not suffered an annoyance of this kind. The Walace-White Co. has discontinued its grain business.—Southern Grain & Produce Co., W. W. Duckett, mgr.

Ft. Smith, Ark.—The Western Grain Co. will uild its new warehouse on a site adjacent to ts property in this city. J. Herman Hunt pres. nd mgr. of the company has been connected with it since it was organized 23 years ago. 2. B. Smith, recently connected with the Quaker Dats Co., at Chicago, is now ass't gen. mgr. nd gen. sales mgr.

CALIFORNIA

Chico, Cal.—The Sperry Flour Mills Co. has ompleted the installation of all the machinery eeded to equip its new rice mill here. The varehouse and mill are 100x290 ft., the mill aving a daily capacity of 2,000 bags of polshed rice while the store room will hold 15,000 acks of rough or paddy rice.

Brawley, Cal.—The newly organized Imperial train Dealers Ass'n has elected the following fficers: E. T. Leonard, pres.; Clark Brawshaw, ice-pres.; J. J. Phillips, sec'y, and W. W. forton, treas. Members of the governing board rere appointed as follows. A. C. Cabalero, Braw-y; S. B. Bissell, Calipatria; A. C. Rath, El lentro, and F. C. Copley, Holtville. Plans were nade to assist the farmers in the production nd marketing of their crops.

CANADA

Maple, Ont.—The United Farmers Ass'n has ot the elvtr. of A. W. Annis.

Bromhead, Sask.—The Bromhead Grain Growrs Ass'n has been registered here.

Montreal, Que.—J. E. St. Onge is now a regstered grain merchant at this market.

Melfort, Sask.—The Canada West Grain Co. iill build 2 new elvtrs. in the spring.

Lennoxville, Que.—Allan P. Blue has severed is connection with the firm of Ames Blue Regd. nd his place will be taken by Richard H. Mil-*t.—Ames & Millet.

Shaunavon, Sask.—The Shaunavon Light & ower Milling Co. has been incorporated here nd has bot the elvtr. here. A mill will be uilt next year. The Maple Leaf Light & Power o. is interested.

Stony Plain, Alta.—The Gillespie Elevator Co., td., at this station has just about finished the ork on the 60.000-bu. warehouse annex, and as also discontinued the use of its old Fairanks-Morse Engine, and replaced it with a 10 p. Fairbanks-Morse Type Z. The weather ere of late is lovely, as you can see by the silding and repair work.—G. W. Shreeve.

Montreal, Que.—Geo. Hadrill, for 43 years ec'y of the Board of Trade, has resigned and as been succeeded by J. Stanley Cook, former ss't sec'y, and he in turn is succeeded by the lead clerk, H. C. Beatty, who will now be ss't sec'y. Mr. Hadrill is one of the veterans if the board and it is hoped that while he will steen years are the properties.

Montreal, Que.—Nominations for the council the Board of Trade. and the 12 members of the board of arbitration closed Jan. 16, the ection taking place Jan. 27. Nominations up the present are: Geo. Sumner, pres.; Lorne. Webster, 1st vice-pres.; W. M. Birks, 2d ice-pres.; Arthur Lyman, treas. Members of the council. Graham Drinkwater. Alp. Racine, eo. W. Grier, W. S. Leslie, J. W. Ross, W. B. amsay, R. E. Calder, C. H. McFarlane, E. H. odgson, H. B. Henwood. Board of Arbitration: ts. Carruthers, C. B. Esdaile.

Chipman, Alta.—The erection of a grain elvtr. and a mill is contemplated by D. Matheson.

WINNIPEG LETTER.

The Grain Exchange held a special meeting and passed a resolution of condolence and sympathy, conveying their regret and sorrow at the sudden death of J. T. Gordon, who had been a member of the exchange since 1896.

The following memberships have been transferred: T. G. Roberts to C. E. Lewis, H. J. Crofton to Peter Milne, R. C. Milroy to S. T. Smith. and F. H. Haven to W. W. Cumming. Companies registered are Brainerd Commission Co., Inc., Forsythe Elvtr. Co., Ltd., and Adanac Grain Co. Ltd.

COLORADO

Haxtum, Colo.—The Longmont Farmers Mill & Elvtr. Co. has bot the elvtr. of the Plains Elvtr. & Merc. Co. here.

Craig. Colo.—We succeeded the Craig Milling & Supply Co. last June—F. Seick, mgr., Farmers Milling & Elvtr. Co.

Fort Collins, Colo.—The elvtrs. of the Moody-Warren Commercial Co. burned recently with a loss of \$35,000; insurance, \$17,000.

IDAHO

Shelly, Ida.—The sack room in the elvtr. of Neal Sage burned recently with a loss of \$8,000.

Caldwell, Ida.—The Caldwell Equity Exchange has bot the Isham Flour Mill plant which includes an elvtr.

Nampa, Ida.—The new elvtr. of the Idaho Equity Society at this station will be completed in a few days.

Idaho Falls, Ida.—The Colorado Mill & Elvtr. Co. has installed a Trapp Combination Dump in its elvtr. here.

Rexburg, Ida.—John X. Anderson, former agt. for Miller Bros. here, and his brother Olin, agt. for the same company at Thornton, with M. V. Hopkins, Frank L. Koon and his 3 sons, have taken over the elvtrs. of Miller Bros. at this station and at Thornton. John X. Anderson will be active mgr. of the company.

ILLINOIS

Flanagan, Ill.—The Farmers Grain & Coal Co. will build a new elvtr.

Auburn, Ill.—Auburn Mills have installed a Boss Air Blast Ear Corn Car Loader.

Belleville, Ill.—Farmers are greatly interested in organizing an elvtr. company here.

Brockton, Ill.—Bruce Miller, of Colfax, Ind., took charge of the Farmers Elvtr. Co. as mgr. Jan. 10.

Emden, Ill.—Wm. A. Komnick is now our mgr.—Farmers Grain Co. He succeeds Mr. Eberly, who resigned.

Saunemin, Ill.—The repair work on the elvtr. of the Saunemin Elvtr. Co. is being done by Ballinger & McAllister.

Plainfield, Ill.—We are contemplating the erection of a new eivtr. here.—J. A. Henebery. mgr. Plainfield Grain Co.

Hammond, Ill.—O. J. Bader is mgr. of the Co-operative Grain Co. here but Lon Chenoweth has charge of the elvtr.

Dakota, Ill.—The Dakota Elvtr. Co. has dissolved and we have succeeded them, operating the elvtr.—H. A. Hillmer Co.

Decorra, Ill.—The only change we will make will be the installation of a loading spout.—Agt. Stronghurst Grain & Elvtr. Co.

Marseilles, Ill.—We intend to build a large store room and make extensive improvements. —Marseilles Grain & Supply Co. Galva, Ill.—Earl Collinson has succeeded Ed Miller as mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co. Mr. Miller has filled the position for 10 years,

Marengo, Ill.—I have bot W. E. Smith's half interest in the Marengo Grain Co. and will operate it under my own name.—H. C. Pote.

Eldorado, Ill.—The Farmers Mill, Elytr. & Supply Co., Inc., has bot the mill and elvtr. of the Lafe-Farmers Co. here. M. H. Brush is mgr.

Dillsburg, Ill.—We have organized the Dillsburg Co-operative Grain Co. and intend to buy one of the elvtrs. here.—Ad. L. Ekblaw, sec'y.

Hillsdale, Ill.—Farmers have organized an elvtr. company with a capital stock of \$40,000. The company may buy the elvtr. of J. F. Butzer.

Tomlinson, III.—Tomlinson Co-operative Grain Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$40,000; incorporators, A. W. Hadler, A. V. Hyde, and John Murry.

Chatsworth, Ill.—R. C. Hughes, mgr. for the Farmers Grain Co., has resigned and will go to Franklin Grove as mgr. of the Farmers Elvtr. Co. there.

Farmington, Ili.—There will be no new elvtrs. or changes in firms here so far as we know, contrary to all reports.—Farmington Lbr. & Grain Co.

Sublette, Ill.—Farmers Elvtr. Co. held its annual meeting Jan. 16 and declared a dividend of 10% per annum and placed a good sum to surplus.—A.

New Holland, Ill.—Geo. Ritscher has let contract to Ballinger & McAllister for the installation of new machinery and a thoro overhauling of the elvtr.

Cloverdale, Ill.—I have owned the elvtr. here since 1915 and have operated it continuously. It formerly belonged to S. R. Jordan.—Erwin H. Franzen.

Riggston, Ill.—The Merritt Farmers Elvtr. Co. is installing a 25-h. p. Fairbanks Engine and having the elvtr. thoroly overhauled by Ballinger & McAllister.

Fairmount, Ill.—The Farmers Co-operative Grain Ass'n has been incorporated and is operating the elvtr. of A. W. Cast & Son. Willard B. Porterfield is sec'y-treas.

Moweaqua, Ill.—The Moweaqua Co-operative Grain Ass'n, incorporated; capital stock, \$50,-000; incorporators, John Mathews, Frank Woolers, E. R. Harper and others.

Eylar, Ill—The contract for the 15,000-bu. storage addition and the remodeling of the old elvtr. of the Saunemin Elvtr. Co. here, has been let to Ballinger & McAllister.

Minier, Ill.—The Minier Co-operative Grain Co. has succeeded the Minier Grain Co. Stockholders will meet in a few days to decide as to the increasing of the capital stock.

Union (Lincoln p. o.), Ill.—M. Coyne, of Macon, has succeeded Mr. Eberle as mgr. for the Union Grain & Lbr. Co. here. Mr. Eberle going to Lincoln as mgr. for the Murphy Greer Co. at that point.

Weston, Ill.—C. E. Graves is having a new asphalt shingle roof put on his elvtr. and is installing 2 steel legs. Two new concrete pits will also be put in. Ballinger & McAllister are doing the work.

Garber, Ill.—H. J. Moore has now taken charge of the elvtr. recently bot by the Bailey-Moore Grain Co. and Mgr. Judson Chubbick, who has been taking care of the work, will move to Le Roy.

Velma, Ill.—We have bot the elvtr. of Twist Bros. at this station and will operate it in connection with our elvtr. at Palmer, which we also bot from them some time ago.—Leslie T. Jones, L. T. Jones & Co.

Lincoln, Ill.—J. D. Siebert, mgr. for E. Lowitz & Co. of Chicago, will occupy the office formerly used by the Holmes & Maurer Grain Co., which was recently dissolved, as soon as the redecorating is completed.

Leland, Ill.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. has purchased the old hotel building and ground. The building is being wrecked and the ground will be left vacant, thus removing an old fire trap and reducing their insurance risk.—A.

Verona, Ill.—Work on our new elvtr. is progressing rapidly and we expect to have it completed within the next 10 to 15 days. Will install a 3,000-bu. per hour Richardson Scale, and 2 motors.—Charles N. Bonges, mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co. The house replaces the old elvtr. of the company.

The GRAIN JOURNAL.

Tabor, Ill.—Earl L. Mountjoy has succeeded V. E. McClure as mgr. for the Peoples Grain

Marseilles, Ill.—The Marseilles Grain & Supply. Co, has been made defendant in a suit for \$10,000 brot by John Bowers who alleges that his orders in regard to the sale of corn which he had stored in the elvtr., were not carried

Roanoke, Ill.—The Roanoke Farmers Ass'n is tearing down the main part of its old wooden elvtr.. which stands near the new concrete house built last summer. Crow Bros. built the old house in 1874 but long use has made it a veritable fire trap.

New Windsor, Ill.—Fire was noticed by a passerby in the cupola of the elvtr. of the Rivoli Farmers Elvtr. Co., late in the evening, Jan. 16, and prompt work with fire extinguishers soon had the blaze under control and no damage resulted. The fire was caused by electric wires.

New Douglas, Ill.—W. H. Prange, A. F. Prange and E. W. Prange operating in the flour mill, grain and feed business, as Prange Milling Co., have organized and received charter for a state bank here, with a paid up capital stock of \$50,000, to be known as Prange State Bank.

Galesburg, Ill.—The Knox County Galesburg Elvtr. Co. held its annual meeting recently and decided to form a new company with a capital stock of \$30,000. The secretary read a report concerning the building of the new elvtr. The building will be completed this spring at a cost of \$24,000.

Boody, Ill.—I have resigned my position as mgr. of the B. B. Farmers Co.-op. Elvtr. Co., effective Mar. 1, at which time I will move to Stonington and take charge of my own business under the name of Young Bros. Grain Co. Fred L. Jostes has been secured as my successor.—Otto F. Young.

Meadows, Ill.—The Meadows Grain & Coal Co. has let contract to remodel its elvtr. to Geo. Saathoff. Another leg will be installed and 20,000-bu. storage added above the runway, making a total cap. of 50,000 bus. New machinery will be installed, including motors and a Moffitt truck dump.

Gurney (Ashland p. o.), Ill.—John D. Clemons while painting the elvtr. of C. Savage, slipped and fell from the top of the elvtr. to the ground, sustaining severe injuries. A large gash was cut across the back of his head and his left arm broken: His body was badly bruised but it seems a miracle that he was not killed.

Wapella, III.—We have sold our elvtr., warehouse and etc., to J. C. Boyer, of Burgess, who will take possession on the 26th. The senior member of our firm is retiring after 25 years in the grain business and the junior member will continue as ass't cashier of the bank, a position he has filled for 12 years.—J. W. Greene & Son.

Tampico, Ill.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. will have a fine place to do business when its new concrete house is finished. However, this will be some time. as only the tanks so far are up and the cold weather will continue to delay the work on the cupola. The workmen are putting in the walls for the office which will be of brick and modern in every form.—A.

Virden, Ill.—The Canham Grain Co. will soon install a 50-bbl. mill in a new warehouse. The company will increase its capital stock to \$60,-000. The company has taken the implement warehouse and is putting it on a new foundation facing the elvtr. and will make it 3 stories high. The office will be moved adjacent to the warehouse also facing the elvtr. Wheat will be spouted to the warehouse, where cleaners will be installed.

Mackinaw, Ill.—The Mackinaw Grain & Stock Co. has petitioned the circuit court for an order to pay money over to the county treasurer, and asks the court to order payment to parties who are in litigation over it. In July last year R. J. Hasty and H. B. Harris delivered 371 bus. of grain to the company, for which it paid \$1.95 per bu.. but both Hasty and Harris notified the company not to pay the money over, and the company is still holding it Now it asks the court to decree how it shall be apportioned.

CHICAGO NOTES.

The Board of Trade on Jan. 17 authorized trading in rye for future acceptance.

Application for membership in the Board of Trade has been made by I. H. Simon. H. G. Newhall and Ernest Jacobs have posted their memberships for transfer. The new feed elvtr. of J. J. Badenoch Co. has been completed.

Pres. L. F. Gates has recommended the creation of a fund for the retirement of the \$523,800 outstanding bonds of the Board of Trade.

W. H. Bartlett, Jr., the last of the Bartlett boys, died at his home in Santa Barbara, Cal., Jan. 15, at the age of 39. Death was due to a severe attack of pneumonia.

John R. Mauff and Walter C. Blowney have been re-appointed sec'y and ass't sec'y of the Board of Trade, as were all the inspectors and other except the weigher and attorney.

A petition to have the rules of the Board of Trade changed so that non-residents might vote by mail, was returned to the petitioners by the directors who did not consider this the best way.

Pres. L. F. Gates has announced the following standing com'ites for the Board of Trade: Warehouses, Sullivan, J. J. Fones, W. E. Hudson. Grain, J. J. Fones, G. W. Hales, Ed. L. McDougal, Adolph, Gerstenberg, W. H. Perrine, F. G. Winter, R. A. Shuster. Weighing, Edw. Andrew, Jos. F. Lamy, J. J. Bagley.

Mayer Holbrook & Co., Inc., now in process of dissolution, is being absorbed by Mayfield & Co. Goudy Mayfield, Herbert McNamee and Herbert J. Mayer, the latter in charge of the cash grain business, are men with long continuous service as members of the Chicago Board of Trade, fully acquainted with its machinery. T. E. Bennett, formerly with Mayer Holbrook & Co., will also be with us as our Illinois solicitor.—Mayfield & Co.

E. W. Bailey & Co., operated by the late E. W. Bailey, began Jan. 12, in accordance with the will of E. W. Bailey, to be conducted by E. W. Bailey & Co., an Illinois corporation, the capital stock of which is controlled by E. W. Bailey's estate. The officers of the corporation are George C. Bailey, first vice-pres.; John A. Low, sec'y, and R. E. McCarthy, treas. The latter has been with the Bailey house over 40 years. George C. Bailey takes the Board of Trade membership of E. W. Bailey.

The sampling dept. of the Board of Trade had a splendid year in 1919 and is proud of its record. It sampled 131,378 cars of grain and inspected 16.989,566 bu. out of store. Its revenues more than paid expenses and left a fair surplus. In the weighing department, owing to the light arrivals of grain and the increased costs of operating, it fell behind, despite the fact that 263,499 cars of grain were weighed, in addition to 51,167,521 bu. which were weighed to and from vessels and transfer boats. compared with 292,435 cars and 79,168,750 bu. in 1918. The custodian's department handled 137,-071,415 bu. of grain, compared with 172,326,916 bu. in 1918.

PEORIA LETTER.

Peoria, Ill.—New members of the Board of Trade are: A. G. Zanies, Roland McHenry, Fred Uhlman, John Benson, A. C. Fernandes, E. G. Rees, W. H. Hartz. B. L. Christy. John J. Stream, Harry H. Wickham, Geo. W. Boyden, Walter H. Wrigley, W. F. Bader, Lester F. Sowers, Chas. T. Schaler and D. J. Colgan.

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The annual election of the Board of Trade was held Jan. 10 and the following officers were elected: Pres., W. S. Miles; 1st vice-pres., Geo. L. Bowman; 2nd vice-pres., G. C. McFadden; see'y, John R. Lofgren; treas., W. C. White; Directors. L. Mueller, L. H. Murray, H. H. Dewey, A. W. Harwood, J. M. Van Nuys. F. L. Wood, W. H. Barnes, E. R. Murphy, G. A. Peterson, and J. C. Luke. Com'ite of Arbitration, J. W. Bryan, J. A. Waring, and A. H. Kanne.

That Peoria is sadly in need of a new Board of Trade bldg, seems to be the consensus of opinion of its members who with Vice-Pres. Geo. L. Bowman believe that inasmuch as the exchange is in a prosperous condition, the time has come for a new building. Lack of suitable offices for members of the board is another strong recommendation for leaving the old building, which is far from the center of the city. Mr. Bowman in his speech to the members of the exchange, after his election, said: "Many persons in Peoria do not know where the Board of Trade has its headquarters. When anybody asks one of us where we do business, it is always with a bit of shame that we point out this old place. I shall make it my chief business in office to agitate for the new building, and, when the building is actually decided on, I shall make it my business to push it with all I have."

A. C. McKinley has resigned his position with the Erie R. R. Co. and is with the Shaffer & Stream Co., of Chicago, at this market. Officeswill be opened in the Jefferson Bldg. Feb. 1. He also represents J. T. Shaffer. Both firmswill have private wires.

Last year 15 memberships were bot of the Peoria Board of Trade at \$1,000 each, but effective Jan. 1 the rules were changed so that new memberships will cost \$3,000 if bot from the Board. If purchased from a present member an increased transfer fee of \$300 will be required.

INDIANA

Westville, Ind.—Farmers are organizing to buy the elvtr. here.

Centerville, Ind.—The Farmers Grain Co. has completed its new warehouse.

Goshen, Ind.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. will build a 50x60 ft. 2 story warehouse.

Hamlet, Ind.—We have succeeded Otto Lefforge at this station.—Arndt & Weinkauf, Evansville, Ind.—W. H. Small Co. contem-

plates building an addition to its plant this year.
Worthington, Ind.—Hays Milling & Grain Co.

has increased its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

Logansport, Ind.—We want to build the best

elvtr. we can for about \$8,000.—W. W. Moss, of Munson & Moss.

Rochester, Ind.—The Rochester Co-operative Elvtr. Co. is operating the Noflsger's Elvtr.— Robert R. Miller. Monroe, Ind.—The Monroe Grain, Hay & Mill-

ing Co. has sold its property to a new stock company of 4 members.

Max (Lebanon p. o.), Ind.—Vern Faulkinbury, of Ward, has bot the elvtr. of Clyde O. Powell, operated as Max Grain Co.

Pence, Ind.—We are successors to W. W. Evans & Son and will take possession of elvtr. Feb. 10.—J. O. Crane & Co. Colfax, Ind.—Bruce Miller, formerly mgr. for

the Colfax Grain Co., is now mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co. at Brocton, Ill.

Red Key, Ind.—Herbert Dill, employed by the

Equity Exchange fell and broke his ribs, Jan. 12, while helping to load feed.

Reedville, Ind.—We have sold our elvtr. at

Morristown to the Wolf Grain Co., but we still have our elvtr. here.—Patten & Zike.

Aylesworth, Ind.—Freeman Knowles has sold

the Aylesworth Grain Co. to Jno. Higbee, of Waynetown, possession to be given Mar. 1.

Pierceton, Ind.—Farmers Elvtr. Co. incorpo-

Pierceton, Ind.—Farmers Elvtr. Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$30,000; Warren Robbins, Hudson Paxton and Ernest L. Wolfe incorporators.

Huntingburg, Ind.—The Wallace Milling Co. of

Dale, has bot a site for a concrete elvtr. with 4 tanks of 25,000 bu. each. A mill will be built later on.

Guernsey, Ind.—The elvtr. formerly operated

Guernsey, Ind.—The elvtr. formerly operated by Miner & Wenger will hereafter be operated by Gilchrist & Co., with R. E. Wenger as agt.— R. E. Wenger.

Red Key, Ind.—I have resigned as mgr. for the Equity Exchange here, and will go on the road for the Winchester City Mill & Elvtr. Co. of Winchester.—W. E. Rooker.

Swayzee, Ind.—The United Grain & Supply Co. has bot the mill and elvtr. of the Swayzee Milling Co. The company now own elvtrs. at this station, Richs, Coles and Herbst.

Gilman, (Alexandria p. o.), Ind.—We will erect a 20,000-bu. elvtr. in the spring and will need up to date machinery of all kinds.—Perry Beck, see'y Farmers Co-operative Co.

North Manchester, Ind.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. will build an elvtr. at this point as it cannot come to satisfactory terms with Kinsey Bros., who own the house now here.

Geneva, Ind.—We have increased our capital stock from \$15,000 to \$60.000 to take care of the new plant we bot at Bryant.—Adam Egly, sec'y-treas., Geneva Milling & Grain Co.

Poneto, Ind.—The new elvtr. of W. M. Engelar, which is the remodeled elvtr. moved from Petroleum. is now completed and ready for work. Ballinger & McAllester had the contract.

Crete, Ind.—We have sold our elvtr. here and after Mar. 1 will operate the elvtrs. webot at Savona and Glen Karn, O. Our address till then is Hollansburg, O.—Richard & Simpson.

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Belshaw (Lowell p. o.), Ind.—C. C. Brown mgr. of our company. We will build a new room brick office in the spring, installing a b ton scale for auto trucks.—Farmers & leaners Elvtr. Co.

Danreith, Ind.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. e incorporated with a capital stock of \$25,000. To decision has been made as to the building f a new elvtr, or the purchase of the house of harles W. Mouch,

Charlottesville, Ind.—The Reeves Grain & Fuel o, has increased its capital stock to \$15,000. has. F. Reeves will continue as mgr. Frankn E. White will be ass't mgr. The elvtr. was verhauled and improved last year.

Morristown, Ind.—The Wolfe Grain Co. has ot the elvtr. of Patton & Zike and the mill f the Morrison Milling Co. This gives them plants on the C. I. & W. All of them will e operated under the name of the Wolfe Grain n

Milford Jct. (Milford p. o.), Ind.—We have ot the elvtr. of Emil Baumgartner at this oint and as it has only 10,000 bus. capacity, ve will make improvements and enlarge it at nce.—Victor Fuller, mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co.,

Moran, Ind .- I sold my elvtr. at Hamlet Jan. of the elvtr. here of E. C. Ogle & Co. Both eals were carried thru by Nat Claybaugh.—

tto Lefforge. Albert Sheets will be retained

Crawfordsville, Ind.—The Farmers Co-opera-ve Grain & Supply Co. has bot our elvtr. and ake possession Feb. 1. Pres., George P. Down-ng; vice-pres. Charles McClamroch; sec'y. harles Stalker; treas., Luther B. Steele.—Ed

Carlisle, Ind.—The mill and elvtr. of the H. b. White Mill & Elvtr. Co. burned Jan. 14, with loss of \$35,000. The insurance is \$13,500. The lvtr. contained 5,000 bus. of wheat, 1,000 lbs. ed and 1,000 bus. of corn. The house will be built at once.

Sullivan, Ind.—The Sullivan Milling & Elvtr. o. has been dissolved as a corporation. llen, senior member, has sold his interest to is former partner, Frank McCoy, who will connue the business. Mr. Allen has taken over the McCoy Elvir, at Vincennes, operated as the incennes Grain Co.

Winchester, Ind.—Fire in the drier leg of oddrich Bros. concrete elvtr. consumed the elt and damaged part of the steel leg casing as to necessitate renewal. Fire is thot to ave been caused by a choke, the belt having sen burned in two at the head pulley. Both alleys were true. Loss \$500.

Daleville, Ind .- J. P. Shoemaker for many ears connected with the grain trade, s J. P. Shoemaker Grain Co., has retired from tive business, turning the management over his grandson, J. Galbraith Williams. Mr. his grandson, J. Galbraith Williams. Mr. noemaker will make an extended visit to Flora. California and other states.

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Arlington, Ind.—On Jan. 1 Ross M. Hutchinon entered the firm of Hutchinson & Son, and
ill continue the business. Just 25 years ago,
in., 1895, Ross' father, with whom he is now
ssociated, entered the firm with his father,
obert Hutchinson, who died in 1911, so that
the firm has been in continuous operation for most half a century.

Mishawaka, Ind.—The new 20,000-bu. elvtr. of e Grange Elvtr. Co. is nearing completion. is of frame construction, iron clad with a imposite roof and will have 12 hoppered bins, 19x36. The equipment will include a Sprout aldron Attrition Mill, Monitor Cleaner, Westn Sheller, 500-bu. Howe Hopper Scale, a 10-n Howe Truck Scale, 3 Westinghouse Motors id 2 stands of elvtrs.

INDIANAPOLIS LETTER.

My son has retired from the grain business. B. B. Minor, B. B. Minor & Son.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trade. was decided to employ engineers to look over e exchange building with a view of the need large quarters and the possible changes that uld be made. The work of the grain dept. one has so enlarged itself that it is held one reason why the exchange must consider w to enlarge its quarters. Plans are being ard of building more stories on the buildings

North Meridian and Onio streets, thus giv-g the board more space for all of its varied tivities. Heavy demands for office rooms are so made on the management.

The name chosen for the new elvtr. of Springer & McComas, for which a reward of \$25 was paid, was "Mid-West Transfer Elvtr." A young lady employed in the Board of Trade was the lucky winner of the prize.

W. H. Howard, see'y Board of Trade, in his annual report calls attention to the fact that 20 grain inspectors have been continuously employed, and that the aggregate salaries of the Board of Trade amount to more than \$50,000 a

IOWA

Le Grand, Ia.-Harry Mill has bot the elvtr. of B. L. Cook.

Irving, Ia.—Blaha Bros. have bot the elvtr. of the Irving Merc. Co.

Breda, Ia.—Meyer Bros. have installed a new gas engine.—G. Brandsma.

Calumet, Ia.—The Flinden Grain Co. has bot the elvtr. of Ed Mann here.

Maxwell, Ia.—Geo. Gamble has been appointed mgr. for the Farmer Grain Co.

Riceville, Ia.—John M. Doyle has bot the elvtr. formerly operated by J. A. Leary.

Redfield, Ia.—Farmers elvtr. companies are being organized here and at Lindeh.

Rockwell City, Ia.—J. M. Stotesbury is now mgr. of the offices of the Flanley Grain Co.

Galva, Ia.-G. R. Spurgeon has succeeded the Ida County Grain Co., of which he was pres.

Muscatine, Ia.—A farmers elvtr. company is being organized to operate an elvtr. at this point.

Dyersville, Ia.—The Farmers Shipping Ass'n incorporated to deal in grain, etc.; capital stock

Otley, Ia.—A farmers' co-operative elvtr. company may be organized here to take over the local elvtr.

Middletown, Ia.-Herman Beck and Fred Benkert are now mgr. and asst. mgr. of the Farmers Union.

Laurens, Ia.—The Farmers Trading Co. is installing a Trapp Combination Auto Truck and Wagon Dump.

Sioux Center, Ia.-We have leased our elvtr. here to D. Vanderburg.—Cargill Elvtr. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Winfield, Ia.—Mr. Fomme has succeeded H. V. Van Dyke as mgr. for the Winfield Supply Co.-A. W. Carver.

Brushy (Duncombe, R. D.), Ia.—Mills & Co. Duncombe, have bot the elvtr. of the Brushy Elvtr. & Merc. Co.

Keckuk, Ia.—We are going to build three or four elvtrs in the spring. Will commence work early.-O. A. Talbott Co.

Lanesboro, Ia.—We are installing a Howe Sonander Automatic Scale in the elvtr.—R. A. Maarsingh, mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Akron, Ia.-We are only replacing our wooden spout with an iron one, putting in new belt and cups and electric lights.—J. W. Hedges.

Winterset, Ia.-M. Young & Co. have let con tract to the Younglove Constr. Co. for the complete remodeling and repairing of their elvtr.

Conrad, Ia.—The Grundy Grain Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$50,000; A. W. Randall is pres. and S. F. Price, sec'y of the new com-

Colo, Ia.—I am at present repairing the elvtr. of Lounsberry Bros. at this station, putting in new machinery and fixing it up-to-date.-A. P.

Webster City, Ia.—The Farmers Grain Co. will incorporate for \$35,000 and will build a new elvtr. here. H. L. Baird is temporary see'y of the

Lehigh, Ia.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. has been dissolved, and S. F. Carlson, former mgr. of the company is continuing the business in his

Morrison, Ia.—A farmers elvtr. company is being organized at this point. The company is to have a capital stock of \$50,000. Ellis Copley is sec'y.

Brooklyn, Ia.—The Stokley Grain Co. has succeeded H. C. Light. R. Conner of Woodward, a member of the firm, will be mgr.— Frank M. Ward.

Anita, Ia.—A new office and warehouse will be built by Farmers Co-operative Elvtr. Co. this spring. Other repairs will also be made. Geo. A. Shike is mgr.

Gray, Ia.-The Updike Grain Co. equipped its elvtr. with a Hall Signaling Distributor

Denison, Ia.—The Farmers Union has officially taken over the elvtr. of the Farmers Elvtr Co., retaining Charles Mehagh as mgr. The price paid was \$7,000.

Le Mars, Ia.-We have had no fire here as rumored. Our elvtr. is still standing and we do not intend to build a new one.—Farmers Elvtr. Co-operative Co.

Conrad, Ia.—Raymond A. Belz has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Charles Belz & Son and the company will now operate as Charles Belz & Sons.

Conrad, Ia.—The Conrad Co-operative Elvtr.
Co. has been organized and has elected officers.
E. E. Stover is sec'y. The company will com-E. E. Stover is sec'y. The comp mence business in a few weeks.

Dixon, Ia.—L. Wainder is mgr. of the recently incorporated Dixon Co-operative Elytr. Co., which is now operating the elvtr. it bot from Rohlk & Goettsch at this station.

Guthrie Center, Ia.—The Cre-Sol Chemical Co. has bot the elvtr. of S. G. Compton & Son. The building will be torn down and the company will use the site for trackage purposes.

Ontario, Ia.—The new 25,000-bu. elvtr. of the Ontario Grain & Fuel Co. equipped with corn sheller, has been completed by the Younglove Constr. Co., which had the contract.

Terrill, Ia.—The Farmers Co-operative Co.

has been organized with a capital stock of \$50,-000. A new 25,000-bu. concrete elvtr, will be built. Francis Johnson is sec'y of the company.

Prairie City, Ia.—The organization of farmers elvtr. companies in this vicinity is being agitated at various points. It is expected one will be formed here and at Monroe, and Scully.

Algona, Ia.—R. C. Jones, formerly with the Rialto Elvtr. Co. at Milwaukee, Wis., has succeeded C. E. McDonald as mgr. for the Flanley Grain Co. here. Mr. McDonald has been promoted to the main office at Sioux City, Ia.

Eldorado, Ia.—The Farmers Co-operative Co. has been organized here with a capital stock of \$50,000. It has bot the elvtr. of John Potgeter, known as the Northwestern Elvtr. and will take possession in a few days.

Pioneer, Ia.—The report that C. W. Black was again in the grain business here, is erroneous. He is "again" in the grain business but is "somewhere" in Colorado.—A. E. King, mgr. Farmers Co-operative Elvtr. Co.

Perry, Ia.—The Perry Grain Co. has taken ver the elvtrs. of W. R. Grant, here and at over the elvtrs. of W. R. Grant, here and at Gardiner. M. J. McVein of Rochester, N. Y., will be mgr.—Frank M. Ward. Mr. McVein is a nephew of D. D. McColl, of the McColl Lbr. Co., purchasers of the elvtrs.

Washington, Ia.—I. M. Godfrey, W. S. Eldridge, Dave McLaughlin and Dr. C. W. McLaughlin have bot the elvtr. and the flour, feed and coal business from W. A. Whiting and will take possession Feb. 1. Elmer Thoma will be mgr. The company will operate as the Washington Elvtr. Co.—I. B. Hunt, Iowa City.

Cedar Rapids, Ia.—I am inspecting grain for the Quaker Oats Co. at present. I am grading grain from a miling standpoint, but I expect to take the examination and get a license. I like the work first rate. 'The laboratory is rather new at this place but it promises to become very important later on.—M. O. Stone, formerly Grand Ridge, Ill.

Jolley, Ia.—The elvtr. of the Farmers Elvtr. Co., containing 14,000 bus. of corn and oats, burned Jan. 5, with a loss of \$6,000. The insurance was \$18,000. The house contained more oats than corn and much of it is being salvaged and sold. The elvtr. will be rebuilt as soon as possible. It is that that a lighted cigar or cigarette stub carelessly thrown down, caused

DES MOINES LETTER.

John T. Harper, of Harper & Sons, is an influenza sufferer, being one of the first stricken

A new leased wire is being installed in the local office of the Sawers Grain Co., of Chicago. in the Hubbel Bldg. here.

Frank G. Hall has resigned his position with the Crowell Elvtr. Co. at Omaha, Neb., and is now mgr. for the Des Moines Elvtr. & Grain Co.

W. H. Sievert has been transferred from the Dubuque office of Lamson Bros. & Co. to the office of the company here. He will succeed C. A. Bulpitt as mgr., Mr. Bulpitt having re-

R. M. Hart and E. W. Miller have applied for membership in the Board of Trade.

M. Strom, of the Taylor & Bournique Co., Milwaukee, has been elected to membership in the Board of Trade. This firm has installed a new leased wire in its local office here.

We opened an office here Jan. 12, with R. M. We opened an onice here Jan. 12, with K. M. Holbrook as mgr. Mr. Holbrook has been with the Lamson Bros. & Co. at Sioux City and Des Moines, for several years, and is thoroly acquainted with the Iowa trade.—Sloan-Simmons Grain Co., per W. A. Simmons.

SIOUX CITY LETTER.

The Farmers Terminal Elvtr. Co. has completed plans for a 1,000,000-bu. elvtr. at this station

T. A. Black has been re-elected pres. of the Terminal Grain Corporation. C. E. Farley was elected sec'y to succeed C. C. Flanley and R. D. Farley was Wilde is ass't sec'y.

The 150,000 bu. concrete eivtr. of the Flanley Grain Co. is now in operation and is receiving grain. The tanks are 178 ft. high and the elvtr. 61x42 ft. It has 29 bins. The track shed covering the receiving tracks is 91x36 ft. Three tracks, 1,400 ft. long serve the new house.

Pres. T. A. Black of the Terminal Elvtr. Cor poration at a meeting of the stockholders Jan. 15, said: "We have decided to suspend the sale of stock for the present and to put the remain-der on the market in the spring, by which time we will be a running concern. Our capital is sufficient for further investment, the character of which will have to be determined as opportunities develop, as they surely will in a growing town like Sioux City."

This is another market in which the Exchange calling for more room. Office buildings in the This is another market in which the Exchange is calling for more room. Office buildings in the vicinity of the Grain Exchange are filled with grain men and newcomers can scarcely locate space. While the lease of the exchange building continues to be operative for several years, it is believed that the owners of the property would be agreeable to any proposal that might be made by the exchange. The pressure for offices is without abatement. Lease of the fourth floor of the exchange building is held by the American Bonding & Casualty Company and the American Bonding & Casualty Company and the extension of that company's business will require more than half of its present quarters. Some of the tenants on the fourth floor will be compelled to evacuate their offices.

The new elvtr. of the Terminal Grain Co-operation will be completed within the next 6 weeks, according to W. R. Warwick, mgr. The storage capacity of the elvtr. is 800,000 bus. with equipment sufficient to handle 1,006,000 bus. in addition. The two 10,000 bus. receiving legs will be able to handle 20,000 bus. receiving legs will addition. The two 10,000 bus. receiving legs will be able to handle 20,000 bus. an hour, or 120 carloads in a working day of 10 hours. Included in the equipment is a Monitor Cleaner with a capacity of 2,000 bus. an hour, and 3 automatic scales, each with a capacity of 2,000 bus. an hour. Another important feature is the grain drier, housed in a separate building from the elvtr. It has a capacity of 1,250 bus, an hour. The building will be fireproof. The elvtr. proper will be more than 175 ft. in height, while the storage tanks will rise 93 ft. from the track level.

KANSAS

Belpre, Kan.—C. S. Laird has bot the elvtr. of the Kansas Grain Co.

Marion, Kan.—The Marion Milling Co. will build a new elvtr. near its present mill.

Winfield, Kans.-The Alexander Milling Co. has installed a Trapp Combination Dump.

Newton, Kan.—The Consolidated Mill Co. will spend \$25,000 on improvements in its plant.

Mankato, Kan.-The new elvtr. of the Farmers Co-operative Ass'n has been completed

Sedgwick, Kan.—I am mgr. for the Associated Mill & Elvtr. Co. at this station.—H. E. Hick-

Halstead. Kan.—Farmers are now organizing a new company to take over the elvtr. of the old Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Halford, Kan -We expect to build an elvtr. here and to equip it with a truck dump.—Ellsworth Mill & Elytr. Co.

Lyndon, Kan.—Schrader Bros., of Hillsboro, have bot the elvtr. of Fred & Henry Anstaett and are now operating it.

Salina, Kan.—The Shellabarger Mill & Elvtr. Co. will build an addition to its power plant, for the installation of new power machinery.

Nettleton, Kan.—Jos. L. Maxwell, mgr. Kansas Milling Co. and Miss Eula Reinecke were married recently. Congratulations are in order.

Belpre, Kan.—Tom Brown is no longer mgr. for the Belpre Equity Co, here. He is reported to be with the Reno Flour Mills Co. at Lib-

Kiowa, Kan.—The Vance Grain Co., of Corwin, bot out the J. M. Nichols Grain, Coal & Feed Co., and took possession Jan. 1.—J. H. McNichols, Jr.

Ocheltree, Kan.—Chas. Denley has bot the elvtr. store and house of C. H. Mossman, who has been in business here and at Olathe, for the last 40 years.

Windom, Kan.—C. H. Hubenett has resigned as mgr. for the Farmers Co-operative Co. and is now at Lindsborg, in the hardware business on his own account.

Hockney, Kan.-We will build more storage soon as the weather is favorable in the ing. May also instal larger engine.—Farmers Union Co-operative Ass'n.

Clyde, Kan.-Since the weather is more favor able, we have been making a big stride in the building of our mill and we hope to complete it soon.—Clyde Mill & Elvtr. Co.

Emmett, Kan.—The Farmers Union Grain & Elvtr. Co. bot the elvtr. of Byrnes & Feighny, and I remained as mgr., having been mgr. of the old firm for 12 years.—John T. Feighny.

Arkansas City, Kan.—The Arkansas City Milling Co. has let contract to the Finton Constr. Co. for 250,000-bu. additional concrete storage tanks. Work will be started at once.

Nortonville, Kan.-We will change from gasoline to electric power and will install a new automatic scale, truck scales and make other repairs in the spring.—Douglas Grain Co.

Ellsworth, Kan.—I am thinking of installing some truck dumps in our western elvtrs. and will no doubt put in several this coming season.

—H. Work, pres. Ellsworth Mill & Elvtr. Co.

Meridan, Kan.-The Farmers Union Co-opera-Meridan, Kan.—The Farmers Union Co-operative Ass'n has bot the elvtr. of Henry Winter at this station. He is now at Hoyt, Kan. It was reported that the Farmers would build but they will not do so at present. Frank Stanton is now mgr.

Haviland, Kan.—I have been transferred by the Kansas Flour Mills Co. from this point to Talmage, where I will succeed Bert Mitchell who has resigned. Scott McCormick. formerly with the Ray Patterson Co. at Stafford will succeed me here.—James Borin.

Corwin, Kan.-We have moved our headquar-Corwin, Kan.—we have moved our headquarters from this city to Kiowa. where we have just bot the elvtr. of the J. H. Nichols Grain, Coal & Fuel Co. We also operate elvtrs. at Hazelron, Corwin, Waldren. Kan., and Amorita, Okla—Vance Grain Co., Kiowa.

Bellville, Kan.—Father's announcement is self-explanatory. We are thinking of putting in a new screw conveyor and power shovel at our elvtr. if we can come to an agreement with the R. R. company on the price per bu. of transferring grain from leaking cars to good ones.—Paul J. Fulcomer.

Belleville. Kan.—I am pleased to announce that beginning January 1st, 1920, the grain and coal business operated for many years by me was changed to the firm name of E. A. Fulcomer & Son. My other interests call upon my time to such an extent that it necessitates my retiring from the management of the grain and coal business, and the management of that business will be assumed by my son, Paul J. Fulcomer.—E. A. Fulcomer.

ATCHISON LETTER.

Among the memberships recently taken out was one issued to P. L. Jacobson, see'y of the Marshall-Jacobson Grain Co. of Oklahoma City.

Five new memberships have recently been purchased in the Board of Trade. It is under-stood that other applications for memberships will be made shortly.

At a meeting of the directors of the Board of Trade Jan. 16, R. T. Willette was appointed sec'y of the Board succeeding T. J. Bartholow, who died Dec. 12. after an illness of 3 months duration. He was 58 years old and had never married.

A great deal of interest is being manifested in the Board of Trade. due among other things, to the fact that the B'air interests of Atchison have purchased a site for their new elvtr. which will have a capacity of 800,000 bus. It is understood that work on this project will be started

soon. And to the fact that Atchison is to hav a new 2,000 bbl. modern-day-light flour mil a new 2,000 bbl. modern-day-light flour mil This mill to be owned and operated by the At chison Mills Corporation. A. L. Jacobson, for merly with the Sea-Board Milling Co., of Kansa City, is pres. and W. S. Washer, of the S. F Washer Grain Co., is see'y and treas. The construction of the new mill will be commence contracts of the contract of the co early next spring.

HUTCHINSON LETTER.

Hutchinson, Kan.—We have moved our sale office to the 1st Natl. Bank Bldg. but do no contemplate moving anything else there.—Lyon Milling Co., M. B. McNair, pres., Lyons.

Hutchinson, Kan.-Jay Hausam has resigne and the state of t

A com'ite of the Board of Trade is activel engaged in working out a plan for participation engaged in working out a plan for participation with a local bank in the erection of an eight story building that will provide properly appointed trading and office rooms for members. The tentative plan is to form a stock company in which the stockholders of the band and members of the Board will hold stock. It a satisfactory contract can be arranged working the stockholders of the stockholders. is to start immediately on the erection of the new building.-Cal.

new building.—Cal.

The first annual meeting of the Hutchinson Grain Club was held Jan. 22, a dinner being served in connection with the meeting. The following officers were elected: Pres., E. A. Mowery; vice-pres., J. E. Damon; sec'y-treast E. J. Whalen; executive com'ite, R. O. Yates A. G. McReynolds, A. L. Ayres. The club withold regular monthly meetings and take a active part in movements to further the interests of the local market and of the grait trade and milling industry generally.—Cal.

TOPEKA LETTER.

Topeka, Kan—The United Elvtrs. Co., which was incorporated here a few months ago, has completed its elevators at Galatia. Stickney are Beaver, and is doing a nice business at the points. Its elvtr. at Hitschman is practical ready to begin operation; a house at Susand Kan., is about half way up; the pit and four dation at Millard is ready for the lumber crew and it expects to build at Fahrman and Estickee. Kan., this spring. All these elevators and it expects to build at Fahrman and Esh ridge, Kan., this spring. All these elevators are expected to be ready for the 1920 crop. This new company, with headquarters here, composed principally of Kansas grain men armillers, and its intention is to build and operate a long line of elvtrs, at selected points that state.—The Bennett Com. Co.

We have not entirely lost hopes of securing the enactment of the bill authorizing the Publ Utilities Commission to regulate the leasing ereal estate controlled by railroads and have have Sen. Kimbel bring the bill out in the Senate as Com'ite Bill and he has assured me that he we give it his support. The number of the Senate Bill is 51. If the bill passes the Senate, it we immediately be messaged over to the House and Labelieus for the senate of the Senate and Labelieus for the senate of the I believe if every member of this Ass'n will writhe Representative and Senator from his did trict, urging him to support the measure, that will be enacted into law at this session. have done all I can to in behalf of the measur I want to urge every member of every farme elevator to write his representative and senate to support the bill and do it immediately. Stayour reasons in your own language for askir them to support the bill.—E. J. Smiley, sec Kansas Grain Dealers Ass'n.

KENTUCKY

Lancaster. Ky.—Charles Zanone, Geo. Spoons more and Wm. Doty have bot a half intere-in the Lancaster Mills, operated by S.

Paducah, Ky.—Grain men of this city at holding a series of meetings here with a vie-of establishing federal inspection of grain a this market.

LOUISVILLE LETTER.

Louisville, Ky.—E. H. Morgan & Co. are reported to be financially embarrassed. The liabilities are placed at \$1,000,000 and the asse about \$500,000.

Louisville, Ky.-We are engaged in the me chandise brokerage business here and will no handle grain on strictly a brokerage basis. J. B. Davis, Davis & Hamilton.

Louisville, Ky.—Officers of the Board of Trade by Joseph Burge, pres.; Wm. Heyburn, F. M. ckett, Caldwell Norton, R. L. Callahan and F. Vaughn, vice-pres.; Oscar Fenley, treas. d myself, sec'y and supt.—W. E. Morrow.

A bill to protect farmers with contracts for ops is now before the State Legislature. It is follows: "That in the buying and selling or follows: "That in the buying and selling of m products, such as wheat, corn, oats, cane, ader, hemp, rye, cotton, tobacco and anying grown on the farm, including all kinds or e stock, the purchaser and the seller alike a liable for damages. Upon failure of the ler to deliver stock or crop according to context, he makes himself liable for damage, and cet, he makes himself liable for damage, and on failure to pay damage he shall be imprised for not less than 1 and not more than 2 ars. The purchaser, upon failure to receive d pay for stock or crops according to context, shall be liable for damage, and upon faile to pay damage he shall be imprisoned for t less than 1 and not more than 2 years."

LOUISIANA

New Orleans, La — John F. Gibbons & Co. ve bot property adjoining their present plant d contemplate building another unit.

MARYLAND

Queen Anne, Md.—I have bot a small building ong our siding and want to equip it for hanng and loading wheat.—R. H. Barnes.

BALTIMORE LETTER

Leonard M. Bruton and Gordon P. White have plied for membership in the Chamber of

r. Irwin Hull has resigned as licensed grain pector for the Chamber of Commerce and is w associated with Duane H. Rice.

fohn M. Dennis, formerly engaged in the in exoprt business at this market, and a mber of the Chamber of Commerce, has been

cted state treas. The annual election of the Chamber of Com-rce will be held Jan. 26. Candidates for the lirectors to serve 3 years are, J. Barry Ma-J., Wm. C. Scott, J. Murdock Dennis, Alfred Pleasants and John J. Snyder.

MICHIGAN

Mich.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. has reased its capital stock to \$60,000.

Manchester, Mich -The Burtless-Heinze Co. been organized with a capital stock of \$15 .-

'harlotte, Mich.—The Square Deal Co-opera-e Elvtr. Co. will install a large feed mill in

Allegan, Mich.—The Allegan Milling Co. has in reorganized and F. McOmber is now treas. It mgr. L. A. Holley is sales mgr.

kron, Mich.—Akron Co-operative Ass'n in-porated; capital stock. \$50,000; incorporators, car Wallin, John Whalen, and Charles Zieg-

ig Rapids, Mich.—Carl Lon will be retained mgr. of the elvtr. recently taken over by the aners Society from the Armour and Lewellyn erests.

owlerville. Mich.—The Co-operative Elvtr. has been organized here and is taking sub-ptions to finance an elvtr. deal not yet ed.—Frank Rounsville.

etroit. Mich.—West Detroit Storage Co. in-porated to store grain (not for elvtrs.), etc.; ital stock \$10.000; incorporators, E. F. Du-it, A. Gamo and Harry Slater.

eonidas, Mich.-I have sold my interest in elvtrs. at Walcottville, Ind., to my partner have bot the elvtr. of White Bros. here. now in possession and operate as F. C. lfe & Co.—F. C. Wolfe.

tanton, Mich.—The elvtr. of the Gleaners 'n was threatened by fire when a blaze start-from the gasoline engine. It was, however, fined to the engine room and the loss was \$200, fully covered by insurance.

dmore, Mich.—The elvtr. Co., burned Jan. 13. fire was discovered about noon and the r. which contained 600 bus. of beans and bus. of wheat belonging to Mr. Johnson. quickly consumed. Loss \$14,000; covered

Detroit, Mich.—The office of the Federal Grain Supervision in the Detroit Free Press Bldg. has been closed.—G. W. Morrison, Executive Ass't, Federal Grain Supervision, Washington

Jonesville, Mich.—Earl Randall, prop. of A. H. Randall & Co., whose plant at Tekonsha, Mich., burned recently with a loss of \$100,000, has bot an interest in the Jonesville Milling Co. and is now mgr. of the company.

Hemans, Mich.—The elvtr. of the Thos. Wilson estate, recently operated by the La Motte Farmers Elvtr. Co., burned recently. It contained ers Elvtr. Co., burned recently. It contained 100 tons of hay, 250 bus, of barley, 120 bus, of wheat and 6,000 bus, of beans.

Portland, Mich.-We have not taken over the elvtr. of the old Farmers Elvtr. Co. yet, but will undoubtedly do so as soon as everything is in shape. We will install feed mill and also add bins for wheat storage.—Frank W. Pryer, pres. Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Port Huron, Mich.—We would advise that the Chamberlain-Holmes-Jeffords Co. is not going out of business, but is directly interested in the Huron Fuel & Supply Co., which will operate here and at Marysville.—H. L. Jeffords,

Quincy, Mich.—An elvtr. company without capital stock has been formed by farmers who met here Jan. 17 and elected the following officers: Pres., L. G. Taylor; vice-pres., Ward Lindsey; sec'y. Leo. Craun; treas., Warren Dobson; board of directors, A. D. Ransom, Roy Strang, Harry Corless, Frank Demorest, Arthur Lane, Herman Straehly and Linus G. Taylor. The company will be financed by borrowing money on notes at 6 per cent interest. Memberships will be sold at \$10 each, but the company will be run not for profit, thus evading taxes. Just how the notes and the interest can be paid without making a profit remains to be seen, tho technically the scheme seems to Mich.-An elvtr. company without to be seen, tho technically the scheme seems to be correct.

MINNESOTA

Mankato, Minn.-Our elvtr. has been broken into and a quantity of shelled corn stolen .-Byrnes Bros. & Nachbar.

Lismore, Minn.—I am now mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co. here.—Gus. Plomason, successor to J. G. Van Roosum.

Odin, Minn.—The Hubbard & Palmer Co., of Mankato, has bot the elvtr. of Greig & Stockdale here and I will remain as agt.—C. L. Olsen.

Alpha, Minn.—We will build a 60.000-bu, concrete elvtr. next summer and will use electric power from Jackson.—Frank W. Watson. mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Moorhead, Minn.—Max Goldberg, of Fargo, has succeeded Peter Westling as mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co. Mr. Westling was mgr. and part owner of the company.

St. Paul, Minn.-The Equity Co-operative Exchange has increased its capital stock to \$9,000,-000 and will enlarge its big elvir, here. At least 18 tanks will be added to the present storage capacity of 150,000 bus.

Walnut Grove, Minn.—We have disposed of one of our elvtrs. and will build new and modern coal sheds on the site in the spring. We have also bot 2 lots adjoining our elvtr. property and will erect corn cribs and a storage warehouse.—A. A. Swanson, mgr. Farmers

Bellingham, Minn.—The Farmers. Elvtr. Co. has awarded contract to the T. E. Ibberson Co. for a large annex to be built alongside of its present elvtr. This will be modern in every respect. Materials are now on the road and work will be started as soon as frost is out of the ground. of the ground.

Thief River Falls, Minn.—I was not mgr. of the Kloten (N. D.) Grain Co. as reported, but I was managing agt. The company had 2 clytrs. there and I had charge of one. T. J. Moore, now deceased, was see'y-treas, and mgr. of the company. I have accepted a position with the Tessum Seed, Grain & Produce Co. as mgr. of their elvtr, here. We also have a house at Ogama, Minn.—J. G. Johnson.

DULUTH LETTER.

The state board of grain appeals has denied The state board of grain appeals has defined the petition of the members of the Board of Trade, asking that the minimum weight of No. 2 flaxseed be reduced from 47 to 45 lbs. The board could find no adequate reason for the

The following officers have been elected for The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year by the Board of Trade Clearing House Ass'n: W. J. McCabe, pres.; E. N. Bradley, vice-pres.; Geo. F. Foster, sec'y-mgr.; W. C. Johnson, ass't mgr. H. F. Salyards, J. W. Galvin, G. H. Spencer, G. G. Barnum, and M. L. Jenks, directors; J. W. Galvin, H. J. La Bree and J. D. Deighton, auditing com'ite.

MINNEAPOLIS LETTER.

The Van Dusen-Harrington Co. of this city, has renewed its charter for 33 years. The capital stock of the company is placed at \$1,500,000.

P. L. Malkerson was elected pres. of the Hay Board of Trade Jan. 12. L. T. Phelps is vice-pres.; R. P. Anderson, treas., and Mrs. Geo. Quam, sec'y.

The Brighton Elvtr. Co., incorporated by M. R. Scroggins, pres.; L. M. Warden, sec'y and M. H. Woodward, Treas. Mr. Scroggins is also pres. of the Scroggins Grain Co. at this market.

Memberships in the Chamber of Commerce can now be bought at \$7,500 for this week only. After the end of this month they will vote to advance the price to \$15,000 and it will prob-

Four men, alleged to have been systematically looting grain elvtrs. in this city, were arrested on grand larceny charges recently, and all asked for an early hearing. A fifth man, said to have been arrested at the same time, waived examination and was bound over to the grand jury. Bail was fixed at \$1,000.

We have just closed our elvtrs. at Kidder and Claremont. S. D., and Lidgerwood, N. D., also the folowing houses in Montana: Benchland, Gilman, Sims, Conrad, Hall, Willow Creek, Geyser, and Reed Point, on account of poor crops. We have also leased the house at Sioux Center, Ia., to D. Vanderburg.—Cargill Elvtr. Co.

MISSOURI

Leige, Mo.—I am office mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co.—A. L. Edney.

Rockville, Mo.—Charles Marquis has bot the elvtr. of the W. H. Hurley Grain Co. here.
Green Ridge, Mo.—J. E. Bagby is sec'y and treas. of the recently organized Farmers Elvtr.

Deepwater, Mo.—I am mgr. for the Mann Grain Co., of Montrose, at this station.—H. Halfer.

Poplar Bluff, Mo.—Sam I. Bowman is now agr. for the Butler County Milling Co. at this station.

New Hampton, Mo.—The Farmers Grain, Produce & Merc. Co. has bot the elvtr. of W. J. Ebersole.

Athol, (Rich Hill p. o.), Mo.—The Athol Elvtr. Co. incorporated; capital stock \$10,000; incorporators are L. W. Smith and W. P. Allison.

Tarkio, Mo.—A. E. Temple and Miss Elsie Ferguson were married recently. Mr. Temple is branch mgr. for T. P. Gordon, of St. Joseph.

Neosha, Mo.—A. L. Bannock, mgr. of the Missouri & Kansas Grain Co., died at his home in this city Jan. 5. He was formerly a member of the Board of Trade at Kansas City, Mo.

Sweet Springs, Mo.—The Sweet Springs Milling Co. will build 50,000 bus additional storage in the spring and will install a new receiving separator and receiving elvtrs. The plant is motor driven.

Malden, Mo.—Our elvtr., burned recently, is a total loss but we only lost 1,500 bus. of grain, tho we have a capacity for 20,000 bus. The elvtr. caught fire from the depot which burned first. We expect to put up a larger elvtr. of concrete, fireproof thruout.—Matthews & Stub-

Chillicothe, Mo.—James W. Hill of this city and Fred Goff, of Meadville, have bot the elvtr. and warehouses of McCormick Bros., who have operated them for 19 years, and will now retire. Geo. McCormick died recently and his brother has been carrying on the business alone ever since.

La Due, Mo.—We have completed our new iron clad warehouse, 42x24 ft., with 10 ft. studs. We had the misfortune to break the connecting rod on our engine recently, and will install a 25-h. p. oil burning engine. Business has been exceptionally good with the car shortage to contend with.—Otto Volkman, mgr. La Due Grain & Supply Co.

KANSAS CITY LETTER.

Daniel P. Bryne has resigned his position with the U. S. Grain Corporation.

R. W. Sampson and Elliott L. Love were admitted to membership in the Board of Trade, recently.

G. C. Martin, Jr., has withdrawn his application for membership in the Board of Trade, and that of Charles P. Cummings has been transferred instead.

Officers of the Associated Mill & Elvtr. Co., recently elected, are: H. C. Nunn, pres.; H. M. McQueen and R. E. MacDonald, vice-pres.: Paul Noble, sec'y, and Fred J. Partridge, treas.

New members of the Board of Trade, admitted on treasury memberships, are J. Donald Moffatt, Harry J. Kaull, William M. Sloan, Eugene E. Klecan, B. S. Graham, John Stark, and Harry G. Stevenson.

The re-establishment of the transportation buro of the Board of Trade is being seriously considered by the exchange. A few years ago this dept. was combined with that of the Chamber of Commerce

Francis H. Miller, father of Stephen H. Miller, of the S. H. Miller Grain Co., died on the train en route for Philadelphia, Jan. 9. His son was with him and the body was brot back to this city for burial.

The dinner of the Kansas City Grain Club was held Jan. 24. The building com'ite presented its report as to the buying or building of a new home for the exchange and the matter was thoroly discussed.

W. R. Pickerill, who has been on the road for the E. E. Roahen Grain Co., has left the company and is not associated with the firm at present. Ira Updike is the new mgr. of the shipping dept. of the firm.

J. R. Schmitt is now a partner in the firm of Dilts & Morgan. He has been associated with the company for some time, being in charge of the coarse grain dept. He was formerly with the S. R. Washer Grain Co. at Atchison, Kan.

Owing to the recent death of Pres. E. W. Shields of the Simonds-Shields-Lonsdale Grain Co., the company has been reorganized and the following officers elected: C. W. Lonsdale, pres.; F. C. Vincent, vice-pres.; and E. R. Morrison, sec'y-treas.

The first car of the 1919 wheat to reach this market was sold by Allan Logan, of Logan Bros. Grain Co., for \$3 a bu. Mr. Logan also holds the record for having sold the highest priced car of wheat ever brot to this market, when in May, 1917, he sold a car for \$3.42 a bu.

ST. JOSEPH LETTER.

Vanderslice-Lynds Co. have opened an office here. C. B. Lightner, mgr. of the local office, has been elected to membership in the exchange.

in the exchange.

The annual election of officers of the St. Joseph Grain Exchange for the ensuing year was held Jan. 6th. None of the three candidates for pres. of the Exchange for the coming year received the necessary plurality in the first poll. In an adjourned election for the presidency, J. M. Flynn was chosen to fill the office for 1920. S. A. Penney was elected vice-pres., and the following were elected directors for a two-year period: J. W. Craver, A. J. Brunswig, B. V. Sloan, J. D. McKee, and Fred. Frederick. T. P. Gordon was elected to fill a term of one year. A banquet was held at Hotel Robidoux the evening of the 6th. Short talks were given by D. F. Piazzek, 2d vice-pres of the Grain Corporation, Kansas City; F. P. Manchester, sec. of the Omaha Board of Trade; Col. E. Stenger of the Union Pacific R. R.; W. S. Washer of Atchison, Kan; Ewing Herbert, A. P. Marlin, L. A. Vant, and C. D. Morris of St. Joseph.

Atchison, Kan.; Ewing Herbert, A. P. Marlin, L. A. Vant, and C. D. Morris of St. Joseph.

The new St. Joseph Public elvtr., when completed, will be the largest elvtr. here with a maximum capacity of 3,000,000 bus. The first unit, a working house of 250,000 bus capacity, will be completed by early summer. The building will be 60x90 ft. long and 170 ft. high. It will be of fire-proof concrete construction throughout with three 12,000-bu. legs. The handling capacity of the working house will be 100 cars a day. Receiving tracks and pits will be so arranged that it will be possible to unload 4 cars of grain at one time. Ultimately the receiving and handling capacity of the elevator will be increased 50%. The plant will be equipped with the most modern machinery for cleaning and handling grain and will be operated by electricity. The John S. Metcalf Co. is in charge of the ensineering work, while the general contract has been let to the Lehr Construction Co. The elvtr. when completed will be operated by the St. Joseph Public Elevator Co., of which R. E. Hastings is pres. The com-

pany has been incorporated for \$200,000. Other e.vtrs. may be built later on.

ST. LOUIS LETTER.

Frederick H. Barkley has applied for membership in the Merchants Exchange.

Wm. Christy will represent Ballard & Ballard of Louisville, Ky., on the Merchants Exchange. The membership of C. Breaux Ballard has been transferred to him.

New members of the Merchants Exchange are: Paul C. Knowlton, Henry E. Halliday, D. J. Kent, Samuel C. Vail, John B. Horton, George E. Cooper, and George W. Vogt.

Oswald Graves, for 35 years a member of the Merchants Exchange, and representative of Lamson Bros. & Co. at this market, dropped dead a few days ago, while waiting for a street car. He was 65 years old.

The redemption price of memberships has been placed at \$1,000. Memberships of deceased members will be taken at the price of the last membership sold before the death of the member. Memberships are now being sold for about \$1,500.

The chairmen of the following com'ites of the Merchants Exchange were appointed by Pres. Charles L. Niemeier at the first meeting of the new officers, Jan. 20: membership, John O. Ballard; traffic department, Geo. F. Powell; dept. of weights, A. C. Robinson; grain, Harry H. Langenberg; barley, Fred C. Orthwein. Mr. Niemeier is chairman of the Elvtr. Constr. Com'ite.

The annual report of the Merchants Exchange, issued by Sec'y Smith, Jan. 13, gives the following interesting data as to the splendid condition of the exchange at the beginning of the new year: Revenue from all sources, totaled \$181,316.29, \$89,950.00 of that amount was derived from assessments, \$20,300.00 from transfer fees and \$54,834.26 and \$6,257.00 in fees paid the department of weights and the hay department, respectively, and \$9,975.03 from miscellaneous sources. The expenditures were \$159, 327.65.

The annual meeting of the St. Louis Grain Club was held Jan. 12 and Aderton Samuel was elected pres. to succeed Marshall Hall. John H. Watson is vice-pres. and E. J. Gissler, sec'y. The executive com'ite elected is composed of Logan Baxter, L. Ray Carter, E. F. Catlin, Robt. C. Napier and L. J. Frederick. At the dinner following the election E. C. Andrews, retiring pres. and C. L. Niemeier, pres. of the Merchants Exchange, addressed the diners. The chief speaker of the evening was Carl J. Baer, whose address on "Grain Men's Relation to Increased Production," was comprehensive and interesting.

MONTANA

Clyde Park, Mont.—We contemplate the erection of flour and feed warehouses in connection with the elvtr. we are operating here. It was formerly owned by G. W. Shellhammer, and we bot it from him.—Park County Milling Co.

Benchland. Mont.—We have closed the following elvtrs. in this state for this season, on acount of poor crops: Gilman, Simms, Conrad. Hall, Willow Creek, Geyser, Reed Point and this station.—Cargill Elvtr. Co., Minneapolis, Minn

Whitetail, Mont.—The Occident Elvtr. Co. of Minneapolis, has bot the elvtr. of the Canadian Farmers Elvtr. Co. here and is operating it as a line house. We have completed the new 30,000-bu, elvtr. that replaces the house burned last April. C. E. Bird & Co. had the contract.—C. W. Truesdell, agt. Montana & Dakota Elvtr. Co.

NEBRASKA

Giltner, Neb.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. will install a mill.

Waco, Neb.—The Jackson Grain Co. has succeeded Jackson & Pratt.

Dixon, Neb — E. W. Musher is now mgr. for the Farmers Union Elvtr. Co.

York, Neb.—The York Milling Co. will install a Trapp Combination Truck and Wagon Dump in its elvtr.

Elsie, Neb.—The Equity Mercantile Exchange has built a new tile office and installed a 10-ton truck scale.

Elwood, Neb.—The Community Improvement Co. incorporated to handle grain. Capital stock. \$100,000.

Newman Grove, Neb.—F W. Shively of Tilden has bot the elvtr. and mill here and will take possession Mar. 1.

Chappell, Neb.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. wi probably install a truck dump.

Kinney, Neb.—Farmers Union Co-operativ Co. incorporated with a capital stock of \$25,000

Grand Island, Neb.—We have opened an offic in the Glover Bldg. at this point. R. A. Collie is mgr.—Fred W. Elder.

Craig, Neb.—John Petersen, formerly mgr. fo the Farmers Union, is now with the Holmquis Grain & Lbr. Co. at Oakland.

Gladstone, Neb.—The Farmers Union Co-operative Ass'n has equipped its elvtr. with Hall Signaling Distributor.

Greeley, Neb.—Bart Cronin has succeede Thos. Green as mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr Co. Mr. Cronin is from Sutton.

Beatrice, Neb.—The Shannon Grain Co., o Kansas City, Mo., has opened an office here wit P. D. Stittler, of Lincoln, in charge.

Petersburg, Neb.—Anton Brinkman has succeeded Henry Benner as mgr. for the Petersburg Elvtr. Co., Mr. Benner, resigning.

Bruning, Neb.—I have resigned as mgr. of the Farmers Grain Co., effective Mar. 1. C. Casper will succeed me.—M. A. Osborn.

North Bend, Neb. M. Kochen who recent

North Bend, Neb.—M. Koehne, who recently resigned as mgr. for the Farmers Union, has reconsidered the matter and will continue to take care of the business.

Tilden, Neb.—The new 45,000-bu. reinforce concrete elvtr. of the Farmers Union Elvtr. Co. has been completed. The Younglove Const. Co. had the contract.

Moorefield, Neb.—Wm. Walthers has succeed ed O. B. Elliott as mgr. for the Equity Unio here. Mr. Elliott came from Parks, but expect to move to Hastings soon.

Hayland, Neb.—The Farmers Union of the city is considering the purchase of the elvtro of the Farmers Elvtr. & Grain Co., of Prosseat this station and at Prosser.

Dakota City, Neb.—I have resigned as me for the Farmers Grain & Supply Co. and have been succeeded by Charles Fusthor. I mabuy an elvtr. later.—H. F. Foley.

Fairbury, Neb.—W. E. Lee, mgr. of the Fairbury Mill & Elvtr. Co., has taken over the 2/8 interest of the McDowell Estate and of A. I Berry and is now operating the house for himself.

Hemingford, Neb.—The Farmers Co-operation Elvtr. Co., which incorporated last summer, still in existence, but owing to high prices building material, will not put up a house unnext summer.

Superior, Neb.—The concrete work for the elvtr, of the Superior Terminal Elvtr, Co. In been completed and the house will be ready operate in 30 days. Ballinger & McAllister has the contract.

Greenwood, Neb.—W. E. Hand is now me for the Farmers Co-operative Grain Ass'n whi operates the elvtr. recently bot of the Railsbag Grain Co. This makes 2 farmers elvtr. copanies at this point.

Hastings, Neb.—We have taken over the iterests of Charles Moritz and will operate tline of elvtrs. formerly controlled and operate by him individually. We have opened a whosale grain business here in connection wo our office in the Branch Bldg. in this city.—Or Moritz, C. Moritz Grain Co.

OMAHA LETTER.

E. A. Lucke has succeeded John C. Ackermas floor mgr. for the Crowell Elvtr. Co.

W. S. Hart, vice-pres, of the Flanley Grace. has succeeded W. C. Adams as mgr. the company's office here.

John C. Ackerman is now mgr. of the M. West Grain Co. He was for a number of yes with the Crowell Elvtr. Co.

Nelson B. Updike, of the Updike Grain C has bot the most of the stock in the Omaha B He will take it over about the 15th of ne month.

E. F. Otto, formerly mgr. of the consignment dept. of the Dawson Grain Co. and Frank Rulerford, formerly on the road for the Ome Elvtr. Co., are now connected with our grudept. here as mgr. and ass't mgr., respective—Wells-Abbott-Nieman Co.

NEW ENGLAND

New Bedford, Conn.—C. H. Brayton, for mayears in the grain business here, died recer at the age of §2.

orth Adams, Mass.—We will build in time, elvtr. and store house about 140x50 ft. The tr. will have a capacity of 50,000 bus.—R. L. wn, Berkshire Coal & Grain Co.

ristol, Conn.—The recently incorporated stol Grain & Supply Co. has bot the proport of the Eaton Mill Co., James A. and Wm. Eaton, props., for \$80,000. Richard H. Blemis sec'y of the new company. The plant was it about 40 years ago.

cochester, N. H.—We bot the elvtr. and rehouse of Geo. E. Dean some time ago, after ming a small stock company to operate it a regular grain business. We are not a mers union but carry a good stock of grain it is always paid for.—Charles R. Peaslee, s. Stafford County Co-operative Grain Mill

NEW MEXICO

pringer, N. M.—Farmers have organized and l build a \$12,000 elvtr. and warehouse here.

NEW YORK

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Harry M. Edenborn, Jr., of illadelphia is now with Thompson, Norris & of this city.

Rochester, N. Y.—The Mosely & Motley Mill-Co. has bot the grain elvtrs. of the Monroe crehouse Co., the price being given as \$35,000. changes will be made in the plant.

ridgeport. N. Y.—We can not as yet estite our total loss in our recent fire. We will, vever, soon repair the building and use it eafter for storage only.—Vincent Bros. Co.

rooklyn, N. Y.—J. W. Gasteiger & Son have ed in business and the property including big elvtrs. here, has been taken over by creditors, and will be conducted by them a trustee. The liabilities are placed at 0,000, but the cash resources of the company practically exhausted.

NEW YORK LETTER.

ew York, N. Y.—Memberships in the Prod-Exchange are selling at \$4,300 and 26 new nbers were admitted at the last meeting of board mgrs.

B. and Howard R. Howser and Cecil W. son have formed the Howser & Wilson Co. will conduct a grain brokerage and ocean ght business.

harles C. and Willis F. Rubins are now esenting Fred S. Lewis & Co., of Chicago, his market. They formerly represented Wm. Noyes and Lamson Bros. & Co.

ew York, N. Y.—The Ernest Brewer Co. succeeded Brewer & Davies, Mr. Davies ing retired. Mr. Brewer has been elected nembership in the Produce Exchange.

lward O'Neil has succeeded Charles W. bes as exchange representative for E. Lo- & Co., of Chicago, at this market, Mr. bes becoming representative of Stein, Alstrin 'o., here.

fred Ettlinger is now in Europe on behalf he People's Industrial Trading Corporation, which E. F. Rosenbaum is pres. Ernest ter, who has been with the J. Rosenbaum n Co. for a number of years at different kets, will succeed Mr. Ettlinger as mgr.

nry Leverich and C. F. Watt have resigned the Wheat Export Co., Inc. Mr. Leverich become vice-pres, and mgr. of the Haller Grain Co., of New York, of which F. G. vell will be pres. The company has been porated for \$100,000. Mr. Leverich at one was representative for the Hall-Baker Co., of Kansas City, here.

BUFFALO LETTER.

e old Richmond Elvtr. has been torn down. as a frame building on the canal and had ail connection.

e Buffalo Grain Co., which recently levied ttachment thru Sheriff Bradley. on 6 cars rn alleged to have been shipped by Elmer orton, under the name of the Horton Mill-Co., has lost its case, the federal court ig given the Bank of Ashtabula a verdict 211.56. The Buffalo Grain Co.'s claim was 18.000.

D. E. Pierce on Jan. 13 petitioned the court ismiss the involuntary bankruptcy pro-

ceedings. Mr. Pierce, in his answer, states that he turned over to a number of the creditors, including those mentioned in the bankruptcy petition, all of his property, both real and personal, under duress and threats by them that they would subject him to disgrace, ridicule, shame and contempt if he did not.

NORTH DAKOTA

Deisem, N. D.—One of the elvtrs at this station is being moved to Franklin, N. D. $\,$

Lidgerwood, N. D.—We have closed our elvtr. here for the season.—Cargill Elvtr. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Southam, N. D.—The elvtr. of the Minne-kota Grain Co., containing 9,000 bus. of grain, burned with a loss of \$40,000.

Petersburg, N. D.—We have bot and are operating the elvtr. of the Farmers Elvtr. Co. here.—Equity Co-operative Exchange.

Kloten, N. D.—J. Hammond is mgr. of the Farmers Grain Co. here and I am mgr. for the Kloten Grain Co.—K. M. Ellingson.

Oriska, N. D.—G. H. Bruns has resigned as mgr. for the Farmers Elvtr. Co. and will take charge of his own elvtr. near Litchville.

Pleasant Lake, N. D.—W. T. Heising, owner of the Heising Elvtr. Co., was found hanging from a rafter in the driveway of his elvtr. recently. He was dead when discovered and the verdict was suicide.

Bismarck, N. D.—J. H. McGovérn, mgr. of the State Mill & Elvir. Ass'n, has made the announcement that the state will build 5 milling and elvtr. plants, including the proposed terminal mill and elvir. at Grand Forks. The 4 other plants will have 500-bbl. mills and 50,000-bu. elvirs.

OHIO

Bloomville, O.—Dellinger & Sons, incorporated.

Norwalk, O.—C. L. Ford has resigned as mgr. of the elvtr. of the Firelands Elvtr. Co.

West Salem, O.—The West Salem Equity Exchange Co. has increased its capital stock to \$50,000.

Montpelier, O.—W. E. Riley's new 15,000-bu. elvtr., replacing the one burned Sept. 4, has been completed.—N.

Plain City, O.—B. E. Thomas & Co. will install 3 electric motors to replace the present gasoline engine.—N.

New Paris, O.—New Era Equity Exchange incorporated; capital stock \$50,000; J. W. Novak, and others incorporators.

Foraker, O.—Foraker Farmers Exchange incorporated; capital stock, \$20,000; M. C. Mathews and others incorporators.

Quincy, O.—Harry Clay has bot the interest of W. A. Nosinger in the Quincy Grain Co. and will take possession May 1.

New Winchester, (Bucyrus p. o.), O.—The New Winchester Elvtr. & Exchange Co. has just completed an addition to its elvtr.

Pawnee Station (Lodi p.o.), O.—Pawnee Equity Exchange incorporated; capital stock, \$10,000; E. H. Sanders and others incorporators.

Loudonville. O.—No new elvtrs, are being built here nor will there be any new ones, as reported.—Farmers Equity Exchange Co.

Tremont City, O.—I have sold my elvtr. and business to Alpha Evilsizor, of Urbana who will take possession Mar. 1.—Omer Snyder.

Landeck, (Delphos, p. o.), O.—Henry Luersman & Sons have bot the elvtr. of the Landeck Elytr. Co. and are now in possession.—N.

Hillsboro, O.—I am now connected with the Whisler Grain & Fuel Co. here. We have a storage capacity of 20,000 bus. at present.—A. C. Proutv.

Cook, O.—The C. H. Clark Grain Co., of Mt. Sterling, has recently added a new office, scale shed and storage warehouse to its elvtr. plant here.—N.

Cable, O.—O. M. Clark on Jan. 14 sustained a small fire loss in his office. One desk was destroyed, a two foot hole burned in the floor and his records considerably damaged.—N.

West Jefferson, O—Teegardin & Swisher have bot the elvtr. of Myron A. Silver and are now operating it. The company may build a new elvtr. next year and enlarge its offices.—N.

Columbus, O.—Everybody's friend, "Uncle Joe" McCord, has passed through the trying ordeal of a major surgical operation, and is once again spending a little time each day at his office.

Grove Port, O.—North Brothers recently bot a 3 story brick building and expect to convert it into a feed grinding and grain storage room. They will install a Wolf feed grinder operated by gas engine.—N.

Hollansburg, O.—We have sold our elvtr. at Crete, Ind., and have bot the elvtrs, at Savona and Glen Karn, O. We will take possession Mar. 1. Mail will reach us here.—Richards & Simpson, formerly Crete, Ind.

Fremont, O.—We intend to engage in the coal, grain and wool business in a wholesale way only. I have been in the elvtr. business for the last 20 years as mgr. of Farmers Elvtr. Co.—C. C. Wolfe, C. C. Wolfe & Co.

Lorain, O.—H. H. Berk and son, J. A. Berk, of Vermillion, have bot the plant of the Lorain Milling Co. and will operate it in conjunction with the Vermillion Mills. Improvements will be made and J. A. Berk will be mgr. here.

Piqua, O.—We have incorporated the Fogt Grain Co. under the name of the Fristoe Grain Co., C. K. Fogt and myself retiring from active business. E. D. Fristoe will be mgr. He was formerly sec'y-treas., and gen. mgr. of the Swanders Grain Co., Swanders, O.—J. A. Manning.

Upper Sandusky, O.—The U. S. Commission Co. recently had a small fire in its office and warehouse, caused by a stovepipe being too close to the ceiling. Prompt use of a Carbon-Tetrachloride extinguisher stopped the blaze before it had caused much damage. The company has moved its gas engine from the main elvtr. to a newly attached engine house.—N.

Carey, O.—The Farmers Co-operative Elvtr. Co. has let contract to the Reliance Construction Co., for a 40,000-bu, iron clad, cribbed elvtr. It will have 12 bins and will be equipped with 3 legs, 2 dumps, Western Sheller, Monitor Cleaner and Separator, 4 Fairbanks-Morse Motors, and one Fairbanks Hopper Scale. A feed mill equipment will also be installed.

CINCINNATI LETTER.

The Grain Products Co. has been incorporated by F. G. Boyle, capital stock \$25,000.

Charles H. Hagerty, of the Fitzgerald Grain Co., is receiving hearty congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy at his home.

Raymond Bender has severed his connection with his father in the grain business and is now mgr. of the brokerage dept. of Alfred G. Hill.

A dividend of 50% has been ordered paid to the creditors of the Richter Grain Co., by Insolvency Judge Kelly. C. C. Slete is the receiver for the company.

W. R. McQuillan, who has been confined to his home for the last 10 weeks with a severe attack of rheumatism. was welcomed back on change Jan. 15, when he came down to do his bit at electing the officers for 1920.

The following officers were elected at the annual election of the Cincinnati Grain & Hay Exchange, held Jan. 20: Pres., Lyman Perin; first vice-pres., H. M. Brouse; second vice-pres., R. S. Fitzgerald; sec'y of the board, Elmer H. Heile, treas.. B. H. Wess, and executive sec'y. D. J. Schuh. Mr. Perin served as first vice-pres. last year, and Mr. Brouse was second vice-pres. B. H. Wess succeeds Charles S. McGuire, who has retired from the office of treas.. but Elmer H. Heile was re-elected as secretary of the board of directors and R. S. Fitzgerald succeeds Mr. Brouse as 2d vice-pres. Directors are: Three years. H. Edward Richter, William G. Stueve, A. M. Braun, E. A. Fitzgerald and Elmer Heile; two years, John E. Collins, Jr., and E. B. Terrill. A building committee is to be organized to see about a new location for the exchange. A resolution was adopted which ends for all time any hope of a reconciliation with the Chamber of Commerce.

OKLAHOMA

Braman, Okla.—The Guthrie Milling Co. is building a feed house, west of its elvtr.

Snyder, Okla.—An effort will be made to organize a farmers elvtr. company at this point.

Frederick, Okla.—W. G. Eady and W. F. Lynch have bot the elvtr. of the Billingslea Grain Co. and will take possession at once.

Hinton, Okla.—We have succeeded the Hinton Milling Co.—Zobisch Grain Co.

Enid, Okla.—Wm. Randels, Ben U. Feuquay, Henry Shaw, T. C. Cones and Willis Johnston and wives, left for a few weeks' sojourn in Cuba, Jan. 15.

Enid, Okla.—The report that Morrison Bros. Flour Mills, of Jefferson, has an export office here is untrue. The company writes that it is a grain office only.

Lucien, Okla.—A. H. Clauseing has bot the elvtrs of the Wm. Black Grain Co. and the Perry Mill Co. here and will operate them as the Claussing Grain Co.

Mountain View, Okla.—A new co-operative mill and elvtr. will be built at this station this summer, if plans for the organization of a co-operative company materialize.

Hastings, Okla.—A verdict of \$10,000 was given Mrs. W. F. Plowman against the Chickasha Elvtr. Co. for the death of her husband who was hurt on the hand while unloading wheat at the elvtr. The injury later developed into blood poisoning, from which he died. The verdict was for negligence on the part of the defendants.

B'ackwell, Okla.—Elvtr. "B" of the Blackwell Milling & Elvtr. Co., containing 3,000 bus. of wheat and 1,000 bus. of corn, burned at 3 a. m.. Jan. 9. The fire started in the basement and with the elvtr. shaft acting as a flue, the whole building was in flames almost at once. Some of the grain may be salvaged for feeding purposes, tho badly damaged by water. The elvtr. was a new one, having been built within the last 2 years, to replace one burned in December, 1918.

Goltry, Okla.—The elvtr. of the Farmers Elvtr. Co., containing 12.000 bus. of wheat, burned Jan. 5, at 3 p. m. The fire was due to a defective flue. Insurance on the elvtr. was \$300, on wheat \$26,000. C. W. Chudd, mgr., estimates that the insurance will about cover the loss. Some of the wheat may be salvaged. The elvtr. was covered with galvanized iron sheathing, but it is thot that the flames had been eating their way up the inside of the elvtr. before the fire was discovered. A directors' meeting was beging held in the office when the first alarm was given.

OREGON

Eugene, Ore—The Eugene Grangers Warebouse Co. has increased its capital stock from \$5,000 to \$15,000 The company will enlarge its storage facilities.—C.

Vale. Ore.—C. H. Brown and C. W. Mallett have bot the interests of G. F. Wildhaber and H. R. Dunlop in the Vale Milling & Elvtr. Co. Mr. Brown will be sec'y-treas, and Mr. Mallett vice-pres., Warren Armington remaining pres. and mgr.

PORTLAND LETTER.

The fact that our pres. and mgr., E. Rohlfing has become interested in the Perfection Grain & Milling Co., will not make any immediate difference in the business of our company. The new company has nothing to do with and does not affect our company in the least.—E. Rohlfing Co.

Work on the 1,000,000-bu. municipal elvtr. and other construction activities at the St. Johns municipal terminal which were brought to a halt in December on account of the extreme cold weather, has been resumed in full blast at the terminal, according to the report of G. B. Hagardt, chief engineer of the commission of public docks. All work, he reported is progressing at satisfactory speed. The walls of the operating house have been poured from an elevation 199 to the bottom of the upper belt post, which is 46 in. from the top of the structure. The roof of the operating house is in place. Electric work and installation of machinery have kept pace with the concreting. Plumbing and fire protection piping will be completed before the elevator itself is finished. The office building at the terminal is now complete except for the heating system.—C.

PENNSYLVANIA

Kittanning, Pa.—The old granary of the Wm. Gates Est. has been torn down and a new brick and concrete building, equipped with the best machinery for weighing and elevating grain, has been put up. A chopping mill and a cleaner have been installed.—E. G. Sutherland, Wm. Gates Est. Granary.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

T. M. Turnbull, formerly local mgr. for Taylor & Bournique Co., has taken 486 Bourse Bldg. and will conduct a brokerage business, specializing in milling wheat

ing in milling wheat.
H. D. Irwin. 2d vice-pres. of the U. S. Grain Corporation, has succeeded Dan'l Baugh as a director of the Belt Line R. R. He will represent the Commercial Exchange.

sent the Commercial Exchange.

Nominations for officers for the Commercial Exchange for 1920 were made Jan. 17, and the following are now in the field. The election will take place Jan. 27: Pres., C. Herbert Bell; vice-pres., Horace Kolb. The following were nominated as directors (six to be elected): Geo. M. Richardson, Robert Morris, W. C. Fehling, Roy L. Hiller, Frank M. Rosekrans, Samuel L. McKnight, Geo. M. Warner, Albert L. Hood, David McMullin, Jr., and Geo. Seibert.

Samuel W. Neall Sr. for many years supt.

Samuel W. Neall, Sr., for many years supt. of the old Washington Elvtr., died Jan. 15, at the age of 73. He began his career as a grain man in June, 1869, when he went to work for the Philadelphia Warehousing & Drying Co. He was still in their employ when the elvtr. was taken over by the Penna. Ry. Co., in April, 1877. He stayed at the old elvtr. till the Girard Point house was built and he was appointed 1st assistant superintendent to Capt. John O. Foering. He was retired on a pension in July, 1914, but kept his interest in grain matters to

SOUTH DAKOTA

Kidder, S. D.—S. Koppang, formerly agt. for the Kidder Equity Exchange, has moved away.

Winner, S. D.—The Rosebud Grain Co. has installed a Trapp Combination Dump.

De Smet, S. D.—The Farmers Co-operative Ass'n will build a new elvtr. to replace the house burned Dec. 27.

Avon, S. D.—The farmers have organized here and are now operating an elvtr. The company has a capital stock of \$10,000.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—We are building an oatmeal factory, with \$0,000-bu. storage tamks adjacent to it—Whole Wheat Cereal Co., Inc.

Kidder, S. D.—We have closed our elvtrs. for the season here and at Claremont.—Cargill Elvtr. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Miller, S. D.—The Van Dusen Elvtr. Co. let contract to the T. E. Ibberson Co. for extensive repairs and alterations in plant here.

Mitchell, S. D.—A. A. Truax, who has a line of elevators on the C. M. & St. P. Ry., has opened an office in the Western National Bank Bldg.

Pierre, S. D.—We bot the elvtr. of G. W. Van Dusen & Co. last June, but will make no change at present as has been reported.—Rood & Spargar.

Spearfish, S. D.—Miss Maude Toomey, daughter of D. J. Toomey of the Toomey Produce & Grain Co., was killed while making a flight in an aeroplane at Casper, Wyo., Jan. 14.

Lesterville, S. D.—Farmers Exchange Co. incorporated to handle grain, feed and coal; capital stock. \$25,000; incorporators, J. F. Kelde, John Auch and J. A. Pekas. The company succeeds Ed. Freidel.

White Rock, S. D.—We bot the elvtr. of the Monarch Elvtr. Co. and have had it in operation since August. John O. Berglund is buyer for the company.—L. A. Anderson, sec'y-treas., Farmers Elvtr. Co.

Eakin, S. D.—The Persson Grain Co. has let contract to the T. E. Ibberson Co. for a 20,000-bu. elvir. Materials have been ordered and work will be started as soon as the weather permits.

Carlyle. S. D.—We have bot the elvtr. of the Pacific Elvtr. Co., of Minneapolis. Our company has been organized and incorporated to do business in Norbeck, a new town, about 2 miles east of this city, and we are going to move the elvtr. from here to Norbeck in the spring.—A. W. Sorenson, mgr. Farmers Elvtr. Co. of Norbeck.

Amherst, S. D.—The Farmers Elvtr. Co. has let contract to T. E. Ibberson Co. for a 60,000-bu. elvtr. of 26 bins. Machinery will include 3 legs on top of house, automatic truck, one 25-h. p. and one 10-h. p. Fairbanks Engine for power. The cross working floor will be equipped with cleaning machinery and the heating plant will be in the basement of the 3-room office. Work will be started in March.

Doland, S. D.—The Van Dusen Elvtr. Co. helet contract to the T. E. Ibberson Co. for moving its large elvtr. and warehouse to a new location. Many modern improvements will be installed after the elvtr. is located on the nest.

Volin, S. D.—The Volin Milling Co. will state to buy grain at once. The mill is not to operated at present, but repairs will be main the elvtr. machinery and after a year's idl ness business will be resumed. Charles She ardson is mgr.

SOUTHEAST

Roanoke, Va.—We have opened a brokera business here and deal in grain, hay, feed, et —R. P. Albergotti, Albergotti Bros.

Gulfport, Miss.—J. A. Koerner & Co. recent closed their grain warehouse and mixed feplant here.

St. Petersburg, Fla.—The Neeld-Cordon Cincorporated by B. C. Neeld, pres.; A. T. Bloger, vice-pres., and Geo. M. Gordon, sec'y.

Columbia, S. C.—The Adluh Milling Co. wincrease its capital stock to \$135,000 to provi for the erection of an elvtr. and a 4-story management of the columbia.

Dublin, Ga.—The Farmers Co-operative Ass has installed a Hall Signaling Distributor its elvtr.

Gulfport, Miss.—Corso & Runfalo are enlar ing their warehouse, remodeling their unloa ing platform and giving their offices largquarters.

Peedee. S. C.—Pee Dee Livestock & Gra Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$10,000; inco porators, J. A. Muldrow, O. E. Hedge and F. Hulbard.

Gulfport, Miss.—The Harrison County Uni Warehouse Co. is planning the erection of a other warehouse, to enable it to handle gra and mixed feeds.

Meridian, Miss.—The elvtr. of the Meridi Grain & Elvtr. Co., burned recently, will rebuilt at once. The debris is being remov as fast as possible and work will be rushed

Petersburg, Va.—The Newsom Feed & Gor Co. suffered a fire loss, Jan. 15, when its way house burned. The loss on the building a \$10,000 and \$40,000 on the machinery. It:

Front Royal, Va.—Warren Farmers Coul Co-operative Union incorporated; capital stor \$50,000 maximum, and \$5,000 minimum; J. Marshall, J. K. Marslowe, S. D. Boyce others, incorporators.

RICHMOND, VA., LETTER.

M. Long, formerly with W. F. Richardson Co., has succeeded the late W. F. Ferrell with Saginaw Milling Co. at this market.

A. P. Flournow has opened an office in Mutual Bldg., and will deal in grains on own account. He was formerly mgr. for Adams Grain & Provision Co. and will open as the Standard Grain Co.

W. F. Ferrell, recently elected vice-pres. If for many years a member of the Richmed Grain Exchange, died suddenly, Jan. 5, at home in this city. His death came as a grashock to his many friends who had helped it celebrate the opening of his own company, F. Ferrell & Co., just 4 days before, Jan. For many years he had been Richmond me for the Saginaw Milling Co. at this market, was popular with all who knew him and loss is deeply felt. He is survived by his wand baby.

TENNESSEE

Clarksville, Tenn.—G. C. Lyons has bot interest in the business of E. Hensen and firm will be operated as Hensen & Lyons.

MEMPHIS LETTER.

B. A. Derth has applied for membership the Merchants Exchange. He is now mgr. the Clayton-Hughes Co. in the grain and fi department, having formerly been with W. Early Co. in the same capacity.

We have secured the old plant of the Boswd Bag Co., this city, and on March 1, 1920, again be ready for any and all storage of grain products, etc. Onr new location cons of 42,000 sq. feet situated on the Illinois C tral tracks right in the heart of the whole district and an ideal location for the operatof a public warehouse.—Riverside Elvtry Whse. per J. T. Halbert, Mgr.

ouis E Davenport will enter the okerage business on his own account Mar. 1 this office. He has applied for membership the Merchants Exchange. For some time he s been associated with the Superior Feed

TEXAS

Waco, Tex.-P. C. Williams of Johnson City nn., is now supt. of the Waco Mill & Elvtr. Co.

Hereford, Tex.—Frank Kell did not buy an vtr. here. However, an institution in which is a stockholder did buy the elvtr.

Ecla, Tex.-Ecla Grain Co. incorporated; capil stock, \$10,000; incorporators R. 7 ld, W. E. Cobb and R. S. McConnell.

Sherman, Tex.—The Gladney Milling Co. will ild a 7 story reinforced concrete mill build-g and a 50.000-bu. storage elvtr., both to be erated by motors.

Wichita Falls, Tex.—B. B. Bacon has bot our usiness and will operate the elvtr. and seed archouse under the name of J. G. Jones Grain .-J. G. Jones Grain Co.

Houston, Tex.—The Houston Mill & Elvtr.
b. will build a new mill and elvtr. here. R. S.
erling is pres. of the company, which has
en incorporated for \$600,000.

Burleson, Tex.—M. D. Cheshall, pres. of the urleson Mill & Elvtr. Co., was recently found ad in his bed when the family called him in e morning. He was 35 years old.

San Antonio, Tex.—On Jan. 10 I became vice-es. and associate mgr. of The Blue Star Elvtr. b. here. V. R. Hood is pres. and is also active the management.—Douglas W. King.

Houston, Tex.—It is reported that J. Berry urrus, pres. of the Collin County Mill & Elvtr. D., of McKinney, will build a large mill and vtr. here.

Muleshoe, Tex.—The Huston Hart Lbr. Co. is of handling grain here. We bot the new vtr. of the Clovis Mill & Elvtr. Co. E. P. ogers and I form the company and operate as the Muleshoe Elvtr. Co.—Jess Elrod.

Tex.-A fire of unknown origin in a nall building at the rear of our main elvtr. was scovered about 11 p. m., Jan. 4. South winds vept the flames thru our sheet iron covered lilding and it was a total loss. We expect to it up a much larger brick and reinforced conete house and make it as near fireproof as ossible. Our loss was partly covered by in-trance.—Behannon Bros.

FORT WORTH LETTER.

Fort Worth, Tex.-Simons Grain & Hay Co. recorporated: capital stock \$10,000; incorpora-rs Douglas W. King, J. C. and J. A. Siions. Jr.

Ft. Worth. Tex — Our officers are J. C. Sinons, pres. and mgr.; Douglass W. King, viceres. and J. A. Simons, sec'y. Mr. King and Ir. J. A. Simons are not actively connected ith the management. being directly intersted with the Blue Star Elvtr. Co. of San ntonio, and the Smith Bros. Grain Co., of this ity, respectively.—Simons Grain & Hay Co. Ft. Worth. Tex -Our officers

The elvtr. of the Smith Bros. Grain Co. burned The elvtr. of the Smith Bros. Grain Co. burned bout noon, Jan. 13. All of the men employed vere at lunch when the fire started and the first atimation that anything was wrong, was when he cupola burst into flames. The loss is laced at \$200.000 and is fully covered by surance. The company will take care of all usiness thru the new concrete elvtr. at Riveride for the present, but will rebuild of reingred concrete as soon as possible, equipping orced concrete as soon as possible, equipping he new house with every modern device used a the grain trade. About 100,000 bus of grain n the grain trade. About 100,000 bus of grain tere burned. Machinery and small buildings of he plant were also completely wrecked by the fire. The books and office records were aved intact. The fire started well up in the lytr. among the machinery and is believed to ave been caused by an overheated bearing. The grain which was burned or water damaged onsisted of wheat, oats, rye, corn, barley and

HATU

Ogden, Utah.—The Sperry Flour Mills Co. had 3 days' celebration when it opened its new clant here, Jan. 8.

WASHINGTON

Kelso, Wash.—The Grange Warehouse Co. has elected officers, treas.—C. Charles Marsh is

Walla Walla, Wash.—Lowden Jones, a nephew of one of the founders of the Scott Jones Co., has bot an interest in the business.

Walla Walla, Wash—Lasater Bros. Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$90,000. Fred W. and W. H. Lasater and P. H. Williams, incorpora-

Tacoma, Wash.—A Grain Exchange has been organized here by the members of the grain trade and was put into operation Jan. 1. Officers are F. B. Burke, pres.; P. S. Brown, sec'y-treas., and L. M. Daniel, mgr. H. B. Clark, Wm. Irons, C. E. Carran, Johns B. Stevens, Fred Kenwerhy, W. A. Farr and F. W. Chovil, directors directors.

WISCONSIN

Elmwood, Wis.—Farmers Elvtr. & Implement Co. incorporated; capital stock, \$60,000.

Boyceville, Wis-E. O. Wright and A. Heinsohn are interested in the building of an up-to-date elvtr, here in the spring.

Wis.—Anderholm Bros. have Lake, moved their headquarters to this city.
will also operate an elvtr. at Burkhardt.

Lewiston (Portage p. o), Wis.—The American Society of Equity will start work on the erection of an elvtr. here Mar. 1. It will cost

Medford, Wis.—A 40-h, p. feed mill has been installed in the elvtr. of the Medford Co-operative Co. The entire plant will be run by elec-

Prairie du Chien, Wis.—The old Huntting Elvtr. has been bot by J. H. Zimmerman, who will tear part of it down and use it for the Co-operative Chemical Co.

Lena, Wis .- We have completed the repairs on our small elvtr. We raised the house 3 ft. and put in a 12-in. concrete wall, 6 ft. deep, cementing the floor of the basement. We also installed a 10 h. p. motor in our big elvtr.—J. N.

-The elvtr. at this station operated by the Milwaukee Elvtr. Co., a subsidiary of the Armour Grain Co., burned Jan. 3. The house contained a few bus. of grain and will house contained a few bus. of grain and will not be rebuilt. The loss on the building was \$12.500 and on the contents, \$7,000. Insurance

Sawyer, Wis.—We have recently installed a 7½-h. p. electric motor in our elvtr., formerly the Lyons Elvtr., and we find this to be the cheapest from every viewpoint. We are also using a motor in our Sturgeon Bay elvtr. formerly belonging to the Door County Seed Co. We find we can operate more easily and more windly and more expenses. quickly and under considerable less expense than the gasoline engines, and also eliminate all the trouble that naturally comes from using gasoline engines, especially in co'd weather.— The Farmers' Company, P. O. Stram, sec'y, Sturgeon Bay.

MILWAUKEE LETTER.

We have sold our elvtr. here.-D. V. Hales, Interstate Malt Co.

R. C. Jones, who has been connected with the Rialto Elvtr. Co. at this market, has gone to Algona, Ia., to take charge of the office of the Flanley Grain Co., of Sioux City, at that

We have recently installed a private wire from the home office at Milwaukee to Des Moines, Mason City and Fort Dodge and will extend the wire to the Sioux City office shortly.—Taylor & Bournique Co.

Erwin H. Saeger, who died Jan. 5, was one of the younger grain men at this market. At the time of his death he was with the Taylor the time of his death he was with the Taylor & Bournique Co. and previous to that, had been Chicago mgr. for the Lyman-Joseph Grain Co., having full charge of the elvtrs. there. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Death was due to influenza superinduced by a nervous breakdown. He was 25 years old and is survived by his widow and one daughter.

No. 4 Wheat Where No. 3 Was Expected.

Derby Grain Co., Topeka, Kan., plaintiff, v. Ellsworth Mill & Elevator Co., Ellsworth, Kan., defendant, before Arbitration Com'ite No. 1 of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n, composed of C. D. Sturtevant, Geo. P. Bissell and J. R. Murrell Tr.

Defendant sold plaintiff on Jan. 2, 1919, "5 cars hard wheat, twenty days shipment, 20c over Government price, basis Kansas City." There is no controversy about the terms of this con-

Jan. 16 plaintiff wrote defendant as follows: "We have your invoice on cars 4034 and 27902. We note you are invoicing this wheat as No. 4 at 20 cents over the government price. Now, there is a question in our mind whether our mill here will use No. 4 wheat at all, as when we sold them this wheat we supposed it was at least No. 3 wheat. Of course, we are willing to take the wheat if we can get our mill to take it.

Another thing that we don't understand is how we should apply No. 4 wheat compared with No. 3. We presume it would have to be worked at the market difference as we have never known a fixed price or fixed discount on No. 4 wheat.

The mill that we sold this wheat to haven't been using any No. 4 wheat at all, and we certainly trust that when this grain gets here, it will grade at least a No. 3. Will take the matter up with you, however, just as soon as the grain arrives."

Jan. 18 when the first cars arrived and graded No. 4 hard, plaintiff wired defendant they could not use the wheat, because their customer would not accept No. 4 hard. Defendant did not reply. Jan. 20. after a 'phone conversation, resulting in refusal of defendant to give disposition, plaintiff sold the wheat at \$2.20 Kansas City and wired defendant that their contract was cancelled.

was cancelled.

The p'aintiff was duly notified on Jan. 16 by defendant's invoices that No. 4 hard wheat was being shipped to apply on contract, as per relaintiff's letter quoted above, and at that time it should have decided whether or not it wished to accept same. It was then its duty either to notify defendant that the wheat was refused or to have agreed with it upon a basis of discount. If it had refused the wheat defendant could then have elected to sell it and bring proceedings for the loss, if any or they could have shipped other wheat to apply on contract, as it still had six days to run.

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shipped other wheat to apply on contract, as it still had six days to run.

Defendant is not responsible for plaintiff's contract with its customer and as plaintiff chose to take this chance, and then found it could not apply the wheat, it must assume responsibility for the resulting loss. It cannot shift the burden of the result of its negotiation with an unknown third party to the defendant.

It is the opinion of the Com'ite that as no grade was specified in the contract, any hard wheat was applicable at the market difference. While it is true that the Food Administration Grain Corporation did not fix a price on No. 4 hard wheat during this period, it is also true that they were buying No. 4 hard and lower grades on the open market and were prepared at all times to accept same at prevailing discounts. If plaintiff had required No. 3 hard or hetter, they should have so specified at the time they made the contract. The onestion, however, as to whether or not No. 4 hard wheat was applicable on this contract is largely technical and has little bearing on the case. If it was applicable plaintiff is liable for defendant's loss; if it was not applicable plaintiff should have refused payment of defendant's drafts, thus forcing it to make other disposition of the No. 4 hard wheat and giving it six days to make shipment of No. 3 hard or better to fill the contract. The presumption is that defendant would have sold its No. 4 hard and bought No. 3 hard or better at prevailing market difference, which would be the same as the discount to be charged if the wheat was applied on contract, and the result, therefore, is the same in either case.

We find for defendant and direct plaintiff to either case.

We find for defendant and direct plaintiff to ray \$468 60, the amount of its counter-claim, and the costs of these proceedings.

M. Berkenheim, pres. of the Foreign Buro of the Russian Co-operative Union, says that tremendous stocks of wheat, cereals and flax which have accumulated for several years, in addition to the large crop of 1919, are now ready to be moved. Surplus stocks of grain are situated in regions of Ekatertinoslow, Kherson, Tabris and Kuban and also in the regions of Vologda and Siberia. The crons in the last two regions of Vologda are sufficient for the needs of the Russian population while the crops from the first four regions are available for export to the Black Sea ports of Odessa.

Arkansas Grain Co.

The Arkansas Grain Co.'s plant of Stuttgart, Ark., although owned by practically the same men as the Hayes Grain & Commission Co., Little Rock, is a separate organization with its own set of officers.

The picture reproduced herewith represents only part of the plant of the Arkansas Grain Co., which consists of a 15,000 bus. elevator, 150 bbls. corn meal mill, a 75 bbls. flour mill and a warehouse accommodating 20 cars. The plant is electrically operated and equipped thruout with the modern grain handling and milling machinery, and located on the Rock Island and Cotton Belt tracks.

The officers of the Arkansas Grain Co. are: James Thomas, Pres.; C. E. Hayes, Vice-Pres.; J. C. Searan, Sec'ty, and Floyd Searan,

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Destination Weights Shipper's Loss.

Blue Star Elevator Co., San Antonio, Tex., plaintiff, vs. The A. H. George Co., Meridian, Miss., defendant, before Arbitration Com'ite No. 3 of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n, composed of S. L. Rice, Frank A. Coles and Thos. R. Craft, Jr.

Plaintiff's purchase covers one car of corn,

destination grades and weights.

There is no dispute as to these terms, and, as car shows shortage from shipped weight, the com'ite finds that settlement is due basis of the terms of the contract, and therefore finds for the plaintiff the sum of its claim, \$157.60, which is the loss of the shortage in question. The defendant's argument that its seller can prove the quantity of corn in the car before it reached its destination has no bearing whatever on the case. The terms of the contract are plain and must be lived up to by the defendants. Defendants to pay the cost of arbitration.

THE "EMPIRE GAZETTE" is a bright sheet put out by the Empire Grain & Elevator Co., of Binghamton, N. Y., to cheer up its friends. The current issue contains New Year's greetings from the staff

Sudan Grass.

Of the many new grasses introduced into the United States, Sudan grass is one of the few that have sufficient merit to become a remanent addition to our agriculture. It was introduced by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture in 1909 and in Kansas alone there is 30,000 acres grown annually.

Considered from almost any angle Sudan rass is preferable to millet. Cattle, horses grass is preferable to millet. and sheep eat the hay greedily and there is very little waste in feeding. It is especially valuable in feeding work horses. Sudan grass will support a larger number of cattle and hogs during the hot weather of summer than any other grass available to the Kansas farmer. Sudan grass in Arizona will maintain 20 sheep per acre continuously for 100 days.

B. L. Morris of Lubbock, Tex., pastured 32 hogs and an equal number of pigs and two milk cows on five acres of Sudan grass from May 1 until fall. The grass grew so rapidly that Mr. Morris was compelled to turn in 8 head of cattle every few days to eat it down. In four days after placing his milk cows on the Sudan grass they nearly doubled their output of milk.

Sudan grass is a member of the sorghum family. It has a much finer leaf and stem than the cultivated sorghums. It is an annual and has no root stocks. It is a native of North Africa, where it is cultivated under the name "garawi."

The quantity of seed to sow per acre will vary with the rainfall, 15 to 20 lbs. where light rainfall and 20 to 25 lbs. where good rainfall. The average yield of seed per acre is 150 lbs. Kansas; on rare occasions 500 lbs. seed weighs 40 lbs. to the bushel and it keeps better in storage than the ordinary sorghums.

Hay of Sudan grass is similar in composition and feeding value to that of timothy, millet or sorghum hay.

Like sorgo and millet Sudan grass can be planted in Kansas any time from May 15 to July 15 on land where corn, kafir or small grain crops have failed. It is a dependable hay crop in the western uplands where it too dry for alfalfa, clover or timothy.

The price of good germinable Sudan gras The price of good germinable Sudan grassed rules about 10 to 12 cents per lb., retainetting the grower at least 8 cents a pound At Kansas City, Mo., during January, 1920, th seed has been selling around \$9 to \$11 per 10 lbs. in carload lots.

The Terminal End of the Grain Business.

(From an address by B. F. Benson before South Dakota Farmers Grain Dealers Ass'n.)

Dakota Farmers Grain Dealers Ass'n.)

In our Pioneer Days, a few men with forestight saw great opportunities in the great water power of St. Anthony Falls. They also hat faith in the future development of the great Northwest and much credit is due to the Wash burns, Pillsburys and Crosbys for the large parthey played in the development of Minneapoli as the greatest milling center of the world. Yo may travel east, west, north or south, or tany other nation and you will find Minneapoli flour advertised and sold.

Several million bushels of wheat has been im-

Several million bushels of wheat has been imported this past year from across the Canadias boundary and only recently, a farmer told me that near his town the Canadian farmers were shipping their wheat from thirty to forty miles the line and then hauling it across. He states that many of them claimed they received as high as \$1.00 a bushel more for their wheat in this country than they were paid locally. You, course, realize that there is a scarcity of choic milling wheat in the Northwest. The Minneapolis market has ground more winter wheat this year and a lot of wheat from Nebraska has come to the Minneapolis market.

The storage capacity of Minneapolis elevators

come to the Minneapolis market.

The storage capacity of Minneapolis elevator aggregates 55,000,000 bus. A portion of this capacity is owned by the millers, but the great bull is owned by our terminal elevator operators who buy your grain and very often clean and condition it. These terminal operators supply the interior country mills with a large portion of their milling wheat. They also merchandises elling for export. Last year we needed adequate storage facilities at our terminal markets as our capacity was well filled and cars were held on track due to the fact that these great terminals were filled. With all of these interests, the millers, the terminal operators, the merchandisers and exporters in our market producers receive the benefit of real competition and efficient service.

tion and efficient service.

The grain movement of the independent are farmers elevator companies is financed by the commission merchants of Minneapolis and Duluth. In no other markets are lines of credulextended in such large volume as in these two markets. I believe it is a safe statement the during the past two years of abnormal high prices close to fifty million dollars have been extended in open lines of credit from these two markets to independent grain dealers in the Northwest. It is remarkable how few losser have been incurred. This surely speaks weif or the honest and efficient management of country elevators.

Our Exchange receives quotations from all

Our Exchange receives quotations from al leading grain exchanges of the country and cables at considerable cost. These and our own quotations go to the newspapers by wire without any expense so that when you receive your daily paper, you may know the market on all grain at the terminals.

The Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce is jointly interested with the jobbers and manufacturers of Minneapolis in what is known as the Minneapolis Traffic Ass'n. Our2Traffic Managers Mr. W P. Trickett, is considered one of the most competent traffic men in the country. Very often tariffs are published by the carriers that vitally discriminate against our market and it is the function of our traffic organization to proper tribunals.

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You will remember when General Order No. 28 was put into effect, making a horizontal increase of 25%. The coarse grain rate was also advanced to equal wheat and flour rates, or an increase on coarse grain of 66 2-3%. This rate placed the Minneapolis market at a tremnedous disadvantage. Our market made a most vigorous protest and asked for relief. I want to state here and now that the splendid assistance that we received from your State Ass'n, your Railroad and Warehouse Commission and your representatives in Congress was of great value and assistance and we finally received some transit concessions, which placed our market in about the same relative position to other markets as before this order went into effect.

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It was a fine tribute Mr. Hoover paid the farmers and the grain dealers of the country when he said in substance that the great work of the United States Food Administration could never have been accomplished if it had not been for the co-operation of the producers and of the organized grain trade throughout the country. It was most fortunate that such a great executive as Herbert Hoover and no less a man than Julius Barnes were selected for this tremendous task.



Arkansas Grain Co.'s Plant at Stuttgart, Ark

Seeds

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Ingemann, Christensen Co. have removed from Chicago to this city. LAKEWOOD, O.—The Lakewood Seed Co. been incorporated with a capital stock of

EMMETSBURG, IA.—J. C. Eldridge has taken ne position of manager for the Emmetsburg

Manilla, Ind.—Crop of clover poor in 1919. hipping in clover for seed .- J. G. Fox, Mull

DALLAS, TEX.—The Texas Seed & Floral o. has retired from the seed business accordng to W. E. Nelson.

OWENSBOBO, Ky.—The Lancaster-Smith Seed o. has been formed by R. L. and W. D. Lanaster and Thomas Smith.

DUNKIRK, N. Y.—The Atlas Seed Co. has een incorporated with \$20,000 capital stock y F. S. and A. D. Stegelske.

ARLINGTON, IND.—The clover crop of this icinity was poor in 1919. We are shipping tolover for seed.—R. M. Hutchinson.

Augusta, Ga.—The ownership of the Alexnder Seed Co. has passed over to A. C. Iathaway, W. R. Jones and T. D. Jones.

Sr. Louis, Mo.—The Merchants Exchange com'ite on Seeds and Castor Beans for the nsuing year has Adolph Corneli as chairman. FT. WAYNE, IND.—Henry B. Wiesner has old his interest in W. D. Henderson & Co. nd gone with the Continental Seed Co., of

HUNTINGTON, IND.—E. T. Wood of Wagoner Bros. says there is not enough clover the country for seed. They are shipping it 1 from Chicago.

SANDUSKY (GREENSBURG P. O.), IND.—The lover crop in this vicinity was poor in 1919. Clevators are shipping in clover for seed this car.-C. J. Warneke.

CHINOOK, MONT.—The Commissioners of Blaine County have bot 9,000 bus. of seed wheat now in store at Harlem and will buy hree cars at Minneapolis, Minn.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The Lancaster-Smith deed Co. opened for business on Jan. 12. The ew company will handle prepared feed and a eneral line of field and garden seeds.

GREAT FALLS, MONT.—The Rocky Mountain Elevator Co. has bot 120,000 bus. of seed wheat at Calgary, Alberta, to be sold to the armer at \$3.75 at the elevator next spring.

PORTLAND, ORE.—To keep pace with and failitate the tremendous increase of its busi-ess, the Portland Seed Co. has increased ts capitalization from \$300,000 to \$400,000.—C.

LEBANON, IND.—Clover crop in 1919 was oor, but there is enough to take care of those who want seed. There have been numerous lequests of the elevators this year by local ustomers for soy beans.—Wm. Means of the Boone Grain & Supply Co.

Imports and Exports of Seeds.

November imports and exports of seeds compared with November, 1918, and for the 1 months ending November, are reported by the Buro of Foreign and Domestic Comare 'reported

IMPORTS.
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EXPORTS. laxseed, bus. loverseed, lbs. ther grass seed, lbs. 851 76,32730,050 73.493

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Los Angeles, Cal.—The Aggeler & Musser Seed Co. has recently leased a large warehouse in this city. It also will erect a mill building where they will install seed cleaning machin-

CHICAGO, ILL.—On Jan. 8 the American Mutual Seed Co. suffered a \$40,000 loss by fire. The loss was confined to the buildings containing the seed cleaning machinery. The plant did not close

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The receipts of kafir corn at this market during December, 1919, were 2,150,500 bus. as compared with 1,369,000 bus. in December, 1918.—E. D. Bigelow, sec'y Board of Trade.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—There is a surplus in this locality of medium red clover. Of this the new crop is about one-third to one-half of what it was last year and the quality is not nearly so good.—Reynolds Seed & Commission

BINGHAMTON, N. Y .-- The Stanford Seed Co., Inc., has registered the words Liberty S S. Co. as its trademark No. 121,646. The word Liberty is written in a half circle and the word Co. written with the "O" inside the "C" is It is designed with a letter S worked below. on each side of the C.

REPRESENTATIVE REDDICK of Montana has introduced a bill in congress which authorizes \$4,000,000 appropriation which is to be loaned to farmers in amounts up to \$400 for the purchase of seed. The farmer's crop will be the security for the loan. This will also be a great help to the many farmers in the northwest who are practically bankrupt on account of drought the last two years.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The receipts of seeds at this market during December were 380 cars milo maize, 5 cars kafir corn, and 5 cars Egyptian corn as compared with 200 cars milo maize and 6 cars of Egyptian corn in December, 1918. The total receipts for the year 1919 were 668 cars milo maize, 7 cars kafir corn and 27 cars Egyptian corn as compared with 487 cars milo maize, 9 cars kafir corn and 48 cars of Egyptian corn in the year 1918.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—There were 1,440,-000 acres of kafirs harvested in this state during the year 1919 compared with 1,800,000 acres harvested in 1918. The yield was 23 bus. per acre in 1919, compared with 10 bus. per acre in 1918. There were 137,000 acres of broom corn harvested in the year 1919, compared with 140,000 acres in 1918. The yield per acre in 1919 was .196 tons as compared with .115 tons per acre in 1918.—Co-operative Crop Reporting Service for Oklahoma.

TORONTO, ONT.—Buckwheat has turned out fairly good crop as regards yield and qual-The acreage of beans has shrunk considerably and the yield per acre has been light. Clover seed yield is light but the sample is generally of good quality. There are a few complaints of injury from midge. Sweet clover was a fair crop for seed, considerable of which was saved. The yields of seed for 1919 in Ontario were: Buckwheat, 4,071,959 bus.; beans, 288,480 bus., and flax, 129,461 bus.; compared with 4,597,990 bus. buckwheat; 1,387,834 bus. beans and 196,221 bus. flax in 1918.-O. Galloway, District of Statistics and Publications, Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Toledo, O.—Clover seed dealers, listen. Crop is short but what will the demand be? Supply and demand decide the price. Most Ohio and Indiana dealers have been bullish and fortunate. They have been the chief longs. Some have realized handsome profits. Some have sold seed to farmers on present basis. Farmers and some new spenders like high prices. Present prices are not unreasonable compared to many other farm products and other commodities including labor. Will the demand be restricted in your section? Eastern farmers are not as prosperous as their west-ern brethern. Don't be a hog. Accept fair profits. Short crops occasionally have long tails.—C. A. King & Co.

PORTLAND, ORE.—An Oregon corn show will be held in Portland next fall, opening on the first day of the Pacific International Livestock Ass'n meeting to maintain the exhibit of products for 60 days as a means of educating the public on the advancement of corn growing in Oregon. There will not be less than \$1,000 in cash prizes.—C.

LANSING, MICH.—In this state buckwheat is only a catch crop, being used as a substitute for those crops which for some reason could not be planted in season. In 1919 the planting conditions were more favorable than any time in recent years, so there was less need for substitution and therefore there was less buckwheat grown than in any year since 1905. The average yield thru the state was 13.8 bus. per acre. The total crop was 662,000 bus. The acreage in beans is 40% less than last year. The yield tho, increased from 9 to 13 bus. per acre. The total crop was 4,030,000 Clover acreage in this state is much less than usual with a total acreage of 72,000 acres, giving a yield of 101,000 bus. This is 18,000 bus. less than production in 1918. Thrashermen report the seeds thrashed up to and including Dec. 27, buckwheat 214,498 bus., timothy 2,871 bus., clover seed 64,275 bus., beans, 3,031,039 bus., and peas 269,650 bus.—Michigan Co-operative Crop Reporting Service.

From the Seed Trade.

OLIVIA, MINN.—Very little clover has been hulled here. Other small seeds were 50 per cent of a crop.—Renville County Pure Seed

PONTIAC, MICH.—Michigan is rated the third largest producer of clover seed under normal conditions, Indiana and Ohio leading. This year the government places us third, Wisconsin and Illinois leading. The last two seasons our crop has been very small, less, we believe, than either state or national estimates. are buyers in a wide territory, drawing our supplies from local shippers and on basis of crop estimates should have had at least double the amount of seed offered that we have had. Usually a prominent producer of alsike, the state the past season had considerable less than half of the usual supply. There is never much timothy seed threshed in this state and practically none of any of the other grasses. We estimate the state will as usual import all of its timothy, three-fourths of the alsike and half of its clover seed requirements. Oats suitable for seed are very scarce, and practically no barley. The state is well supplied with seed corn. Michigan grown white blossom sweet clover is famous for its high purity and excellent germination. Of this, there will be a small surplus. Practically no alfalfa seed is produced in the state. Winter vetch is in exceedingly light supply. Canada peas were nearly a normal yield, but acreage light. upper peninsula produced some very fine spring wheat, though in limited quantity.—The C. E. DePuy Co.

An embargo was placed on Mexican corn Jan. 17. On that date 25 cars were refused passage into the United States at Eagle Pass.

SEED WANTED

OATS

-Fancy Yellow and White

BARLEY Beardless and 6 Row

WHEAT -Marquis

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CONTINENTAL SEED COMPANY 230 So. La Salle St., CHICAGO, U. S. A.

Changes in Rates

As shown by tariffs recently filed with the Interstate Commerce Com's'n the carriers have made the following changes in rates:

- in Sup. 4 to 1570-F gives rules governing milling, malting and transit privileges on grain, grain products and seeds at C. & A. stations. effective Dec. 22.
- C. & A. in Sup. 5 to 1570-F gives rules governing milling, malting and transit privileges on grain, grain products and seeds at stations on the C. & A., effective Jan. 16.
- C. I. & L. in Sup. 4 to 520 gives local, joint, proportional and reshipping rates on grain, grain products and grain by-products from C. I. & L. stations to points in Ill., Ind., Ia., Ky., Mich., Mo., N. Y., O., Pa., W. Va., & Wis., effective Dec. 19.
- C. I. & L. in Sup. 7 to I. C. C. 3796 gives local, joint. proportional and reshipping rates on grain, grain products and grain by-products from C. I. & L. stations to points in Ill., Ind., Ia., Ky., Mich., N. Y., O., Pa., W. Va., & Wis., effective Dec. 31.
- C. I. & L. in Sup. 12 to I. C. C. 3785 give local, joint and proportional rates on miscellaneous commodities from C. I. & L. stations to points in Ill., Ind., Ia., Ky., La., Mich., Mo., N. Y., O., Pa., Tenn., Va., W. Va., and Wis., effective Dec. 31.
- A. T. & S. F., G. C. & S. F. and K. S. in Sup. 3 to 7481 gives joint freight tariff on grain products and seeds from stations in Colo., Kans., Mo., and Okla., also Superior. Neb., to points in Ala., Ark.. Kan., La., Mo., Miss., Okla., Tenn., and Tex.. effective Dec. 31.
- C. I. & L. in Sup. 10 to I. C. C. 3789 gives joint and reshipping rates on grain, grain products and grain by-products from C. I. & L. stations to points in Conn., Del., D. C., Me., Md., Mass., N. H., N. J., N Y., Pa., R. I., Vt., W. Va., and points in Canada.
- C. B. & Q. in Sup. 1 to C. B. & Q. I. C. C. 12873 also C. B. & Q. G. F. O. 5100-C gives commodity rates on live stock, lumber and articles taking same rates or arbitraries higher, flaxseed, grain, grain products and articles taking same rates, coal and coke, effective Feb. 15.
- C. B. & Q. in Sup. 51 to C. B. & Q. G. F. O. 37-1 and Q. O. & K. C. 1205-L gives local, joint and proportional freight tariff on grain, grain products, flaxseed. hay, etc., from Kansas City, Mo., Atchison, Kan., etc., to Metropolis, Ill., Paducah. Ky., etc., effective Dec. 31.
- C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 12 to 29600-B gives local. joint, and proportional rates on classes and commodities between Missouri River stations and stations in Mo., as shown in Part 2 of tariff and stations on C. R. I. & P. and connections in Ia., Minn, and S. Dak., effective Dec. 31.
- C. B. & Q. in Sup. 4 to G. F. O. 1921-F gives rates on and rules governing carload freight between industries, etc., on C. B. & Q. R. R. tracks at Chicago, Hawthorne and Clyde, Ill., stations and junctions of connecting lines, also one location to another on the C. B. & Q., effective Dec. 30.

Erie in Sup. 6 to I. C. C. A-5816 gives local, joint and proportional rates on grain. grain products and grain by-products from Chicago, Englewood, and Pullman Jct., Ill., also Hammond, Highlands and Saxony, Ind., to points in Ind., Ky., Mich., N. Y., O., Pa., and W. Va., effective Dec. 30.

- C. B. & Q., Q. O. & K. C., R. L. & N. and T. & N. in Sup, 27 to C. B. & Q. F. O. 3662-F, and to Q. O. & K. C. 186-E, issue grain and seed circular giving regulations in grain, grain products, seeds, etc., traffic, including general arrange-ments for stopping in transit to shell and clean, etc., effective Dec. 31.
- C. R. I. & P., in Sup. 6 to 28675-C, gives local, foint and proportional rates on grain, grain products, broom corn, alfalfa cake and meal and seeds between Chicago Peoria. Rock Island, Ill., Council Bluffs, Ia., Kansas City, St. Joseph, St. Louis, Mo., Minneapolis, St. Paul, Minn., Omaha, Neb., and stations taking the same rate as shown on pages 12 to 21. inclusive, of tariff, also stations in Colo., Ill., Ia., Kans., Minn., Mo., Neb., Okla. and S. Dak., and stations in Colo., Kans., Neb., N. Mex., Okla. and Texhoma, Tex., effective Dec. 31.

- C. & E. I. in Sup. 12 to 8650 gives joint and proportional rates on grain, grain products and grain by-products also cotton seed, cotton seed grain by-products also cotton seed, cotton seed ashes and cotton seed hull bran from C. & E. I. stations to points in N. Y., O., Pa., W. Va., and the Dominion of Canada shown in tariff as amended, effective Jan. 12.
- C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 7 to 19687-K gives joint and proportional rates on grain, grain products, seeds, hay and broom corn from Mo. river staseeds, hay and broom corn from Mo. fiver stations and other stations in Ill., Ia., Minn., Mo., and S. Dak.. on the C. R. I. & P. to Miss. river points and stations in Ala., Ark., Fla., La., Miss., and Tenn., effective Dec. 31.
- C. B. & Q., Q. O. & K. C., R. P. L. & N. and T. & N. in Sup. 26 to C. B. & Q. G. F. O. 3662-F and Q. O. & K. C. 186, issue grain and seed circular giving regulations on grain, grain products, seeds, etc., traffic, including general arrangements for stopping in transit to shell clean, etc., effective Dec. 31.
- A. T. & S. F., G. C. & S. F. & K. S. in Sup. 3 to 5588-K gives local, joint and proportional rates on grain, grain products and grain byproducts between points in Kans., Colo., Mo., and Okla., also Superior, Neb., and Joplin, Mo., and points in Ill., Ia., Kan., Mich., Minn., Neb., Okla., and Wis., effective Dec. 31.
- C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 1 to 31408 gives local, joint and proportional rates on grain, grain products and seeds from stations in Colo., Kan., Mo., Neb., N. Mex., and Okla., also Council Bluffs. Ia., to Memphis, Tenn., New Orleans, La., and stations in Ala., Ark., La., Miss., reductions effective Jan. 6, others, Feb. 5.

Erie in Sup. 16 to I. C. C. A-5603 and C. R. C. 223 gives local joint and proportional freight rates on grain, grain products and by-products from C. & E., Erie, L. A. & S., P. L. & W., and Y. & O. R. to eastern cities reached via the Erie and other fast freight lines named in tariff, also Atlantic seaports for export, effective bec. 31.

C. B. & Q. in Sup. 31 to G. F. O. 6786-D gives C. B. & Q. in Sup. 31 to G. F. O. 6786-D gives local, joint and proportional rates on grain and grain products from stations on the C. B. & Q. and C. A. & D. K. in Ill., also Miss. River points. Dubuque, Ia., to Louisiana, Mo., inclusive to Cairo, Metropolis, Mounds. Ill., Evansville, Ind., Cincinnati, O., Paducah, Louisville, Ky., etc., effective Feb. 17.

Erie in Sup. 17 to 155-D gives local, joint and proportional rates applying on grain, grain prodproportional rates applying on grain, grain products and grain by-products from Erie. L. A. & S., P. L. & W., and Y. & O. R. to eastern cities reached via Erie and other fast freight lines named in tariff, also Atlantic sea-board ports for export, effective Jan. 26, except on traffic on non-federal controlled lines when effective Feb.

Erie in Sup. 15 to I. C. C. 5603 and to C. R. C 223 gives local, joint and proportional rates applying on grain, grain products and by-products from Chicago, Ill., and stations on the C. & E., Erie, L. A. & S., P. L. & W. and Y & O., to eastern cities reached via the Erie, and other fast freight lines named in tariff also Atlantic seaboard points for export, effective

- C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 8 to 13207-G gives joint C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 8 to 13207-G gives joint proportional rates on grain, grain products and seeds from Albright, Neb., Armourdale (K. C., Kan), Atchison, Kan., Council Bluffs, Ia., Kansas City, Mo., Leavenworth, Kan., Omaha., So. Omaha, Neb., and St. Joseph. Mo., to stations in Ill., Ind., Ia., Mich., and Wis., to stations in Ill., Ind., Ia., Mich., and Wis., on connecting lines, effective Dec. 31.
- C. B. & Q. in G. F. O. 1218-D, gives local and joint rates on grain, grain products, etc., from C. B. & Q. stations. Cairo, Metropolis, Ill., Evansville, Ind., Memphis, Tenn., New Or-Evansville, Ind., Memphis, Tenn., New Orleans, La., and stations taking same rates or arbitraries higher named in this tariff, also Port Arthur, Port Bolivar, Galveston, Texas City, Arthur, Port Bolivar, Galveston, Texas City, Tex., New Orleans. Southport, Westwego, Chalmette. La., Pensacola, Fla, Mobile. Ala., Gulfport, Miss., when for export, effective Dec. 30.
- C. B. & Q. in Sup. 1 to C. B. & Q. I. C. C. 12955 gives local and joint freight rates on grain and grain products, etc., from C. B. & Q. stations in Kans., Neb, and Colo. to Cairo. Metropolis, Ill., Evansville, Ind., Memphis, Tenn., New Orleans, La., and stations taking same rates or arbitraries higher named in tariff. also Pt. Arthur, Pt. Bolivar, Galveston. and Texas City. Tex., New Orleans, Southport, Westwego and Port Chalmette, La., Pensacola, Fla., Mobile, Ala. and Gulfport, Miss., when for export; effective Dec. 30.

- E. B. Boyd, agent, Western Freight Tames Buro, in Sup. 24 to 1-N gives rules, regulation and exceptions to classifications on the A. & S. F., C. & A., C. & N. W., C. B. & C. G. W., C. M. & G., C. M. & S. P., C. & S. L., C. R. I. & P., C. S. P. M. & O., J. & E., F. D. D. M. & S., G. N., I. C., J. & T., M. & S. L., M. S. P., & S. S. M., M. & T., M. P., N. Y. C., N. P., Q. O. & K. C. S. L. & S. F., U. P., and Wabash, effections.
- C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 10 to 29329-C gives locifoint and proportional rates on grain, grapoducts and seeds between Albright, Ne Armourdale (K. C., Kan.), Atchison, Kan. Council Bluffs, Ia., Kansas City, Mo., Leave worth, Kan., Omaha, Neb., St. Joseph, M. So. Omaha, Neb., Sugar Creek, Mo., and strions in Ia., Kan., Mo., and Neb., on C. R. & P., C. B. & Q. and M. P., and stations in II Ind., Ia., Minn., Mo., S. Dak., and Wis.; effective Dec. 31. C. R. I. & P. in Sup. 10 to 29329-C gives lock
- C. R. I. & P., in Sup. 8 to 10389, gives loca C. R. I. & P., in Sup. 8 to 10389, gives location and proportional rates on grain, graph products and seeds between St. Louis, Mo., St. Louis, Alton, Quiney, Ill., Hannibal, Mand stations in Ill., Ia., Minn., Mo., and S. Dalalso Armourdale (K. C., Kan.), Atchison and Leavenworth, Kans., also on grain and graph products. carloads from stations in Ia., Minnand S. Dak, to Cairo, Thebes, Ill., Evansville, and Louisville, Ky., when destined southeastern and Carolina territories, effective Jan.

Buyers Must Respond to Bank's Not fication.

Wickens Grain Co., Inc., Lansing, Mic plaintiff, vs. Murphy Grain Co., Springfiel Ill., defendant, before Arbitration Com'ite N S of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n, composed of S. L. Rice, Frank A. Coles at Thos. C. Craft, Jr.

In this case the plaintiffs seek to recovered to the control of the c

\$199.96 alleged to be due on account of but ing in a car of corn to cover contract which they had with the defendants. Evident shows that the defendants shipped a car corn to the plaintiffs same being sold sight draft terms, and that they sent the regular channels a sight draft with B/L. Thank in the plaintiffs' town notified plaintiff that this draft had been received by the but plaintiffs claim that they could not connect it with any shipments which they be coming, because the draft was signed W. T. Miller, and thought the notificated W. T. Mille was in error.

The car in question went thru to destination and was attached by a third party, that it could not be delivered to the plain Inspection, however, of the draft, which was drawn by the defendants, shows plain that the draft had printed on the head of "Murphy Grain Co., Inc.," and was present thru the bank requested by the plaintiffs. plaintiffs had an invoice showing the amou due on the car, which was the same amouras the face of the draft, and it seems to they were negligent in not ascertaining ful what the draft was for, and if they had go to the bank to inspect the draft and B/L, the would have no excuse for not knowing it was drawn by the defendants. If, in other word the plaintiffs had exercised reasonable car the draft would have been paid according the terms of contract, and the car would necessary that the car would necessary the terms of contract, and the car would necessary that the car would necessary that the car would necessary the car would necessary that the car would necessary that the car would necessary the car would necessary that the car would necessary the car wo have been attached.

We therefore dismiss the case against th defendants, and order that the plaintiffs sha pay the costs of arbitration.

THE CANADIAN COUNCIL of Agriculture of Jan. 6 resolved to continue national marketing of Canadian wheat as long as countries that import Canadian wheat retain government con trol over their imports and distribution.

THE ENTIRE flax output of Lithuania, Let land and Esthonia will be sold by the National Metal and Chemical Bank on a commission basis. The bank says that credit has been advanced to these countries and that the fla crop is the security, says the American const in a cable Jan. 9.

Supply Trade

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—V. E. Forrest, grain evator engineer, is now at the head of the gineering staff of the Grain Dealers Supply D. Mr. Forrest has designed a large number the best known concrete elevators in the orthwest, as well as many of those of wood enstruction.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—William D. Gray, long a ominent figure in the milling machinery dustry, died in this city Jan. 18. Mr. Gray as connected with the Allis-Chalmers Mfg. D. from 1876 to 1901, occupying the position chief engineer of the milling department. uring his connection with the Edw. P. Allis D. he invented and perfected many important achines used in milling.

Above everything, if you are going to adrise, let the article you advertise be exactly, even better, than you represent it to be not break faith with the public, for it has come a custom to look upon the advertised ticle as being a superior one, and it should to win permanent favor, and you must keep so, for the public is fickle, and if once ceived it would be difficult to win it back.—J. Craver, v. p., Aunt Jemima Mills Co., St. seph, Mo.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The T. E. Ibberson b. has just issued a 106-page booklet giving cts about many of the grain elevators and al sheds it has constructed in the Northwest. The booklet is 6½x9½ inches, printed on lendar book paper and profusely illustrated the portraits of managers and photographs grain elevators and coal sheds. It should ove of special interest to any man contemating the erection of a modern grain haning plant.

Due legal formality should be observed in les contracts and chattel mortgages covering achinery sold. Reliance on the honesty of e customer cost the Wolf Co., of Chambersing, Pa., \$3,000, when three notes for \$980.10 ch were declared by the Supreme Court of blorado to be void because not properly knowledged. The chattel mortgage given by e Farmers Mill & Elevator Co., of Montrose, blo., should have been signed, "The Farmers' ill & Elevator Company, a Corporation, by W. Hottel, as Secretary and General Manger," and not, "The Farns Mill & E. Co., by W. Hottel, Sec. & Gen."

OMAHA, NEB.—The following have installed rapp Combination Truck and Wagon umps: Farmers Co-Op. Co., Philip, S. D.; armers Co-Op. Co., Haxtum, Col.; Farmers rain & Trading Co., Haxtum, Col.; Alta oller Mills Co., Alta, Ia.; Velte Grain Co., rant, Neb.; C. Steckler, Avon, S. D.; J. urbeck, Avon, S. D.; A. A. Traux, Mitchell id White Lake, S. D.; Kingman Mills, Kingan, Kan.; Longmont Farmers Mlg. & Elvtr. D., Longmont, Denver and Lafayette, Colo.; heophilus Bros., Iroquois, S. D.; Longmont armers Mlg. & Elvtr. Co., Haxtum, Colo.; lexander Mlg. Co., Winfield, Kan.; St. Frans Mlg. Co., St. Francis, Kan.; Farmers rading Co., Volin, S. D.; Turner Bros., Red ak, Ia.; Lamar Flour Mills, Lamar, Colo.; ailey Co-Op. Co., Dailey, Col.; O. M. Kelgg Grain Co., Denver, Col.; Rosebud Grain O., Colome, S. D.; Newton Mlg. & Elvtr. Co. 1). Newton, Kan.; M. J. Wagey, Yuma, olo., and Hyde, Colo.; Colorado Mill & tvt. Co., Idaho Falls, Ida.; Kellogg Grain O., Denver, Col.; D. F. Cooper, Haxtum, ol.; Farmers Trading Co., Laurens, Ia.; dmonds-Londergan Co., Marcus, Ia., and inton, Ia.; Farmers Grain & Sup. Co., Mera, Neb.; York Mlg. Co., York, Neb.; Anderon & Sons, Estherville, Ia.

THE calendar of the Irivng National Bank, ew York, is in good taste on any wall.

Burlington Grain Elevator Co. Must Pay for Drier.

An opinion in favor of the Hess Warming & Ventilating Co., of Chicago, Ill., recently was filed by Commissioner Robert T. Bailey, against the Bank of Commerce of St. Louis and the Burlington Grain Elevator Co., reversing the judgment of the two lower courts, in the suit by which Mr. Hess sought to collect payment for a large drier installed at the Burlington Elevator, St. Louis, Mo., under a contract made Oct. 19, 1907, at the price of \$15,500.

There was no allegation by defendants that plaintiff had failed to comply with the contract in all respects; but the defendants sought to evade payment by resort to technicalities. One allegation was that the Hess Warming & Ventilating Co., not being a Missouri corporation, had no right to set up a drier in that state. Commissioner Bailey held that the mere setting up of a drier was not "doing business" in Missouri in violation of law.

A foreclosure sale of the elevator property

A foreclosure sale of the elevator property also was relied upon by defendants as wiping out the liability of the property; but Commissioner Bailey held that the bonds held by the bank under which the foreclosure sale was held were issued contrary to the laws of Missouri and void, leaving title to the real estate in plaintiff.

The commissioner gives defendant right to redeem its property by paying the Hess Company within 90 days the principal and interest and costs of both suits.

The Supreme Court of Missouri, all judges concurring, unanimously adopted the opinion of Commissioner Bailey, characterizing numerous acts of defendants as in violation of the constitution and the statutes and some of the statements as illegal, fraudulent and utterly false.

The interest on the balance due as allowed by the court is nearly \$8,000.

How a Manufacturer Helps His Dealers.

When 35% of a manufacturer's dealers respond to a co-operative sales proposition by sending in mailing lists, with remittance to help cover the cost of a local advertising campaign, there must be something very unusual and effective in the manufacturer's plan.

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The suggestions it contains will prove valuable to any dealer, not only for the selling of the steel posts but for the selling of many other products, because nothing is so valuable in retail selling as a concrete plan for tying up closely with the manufacturer's extensive consumer advertising.

Wheat fields of 34 counties in Kansas were rid of the troublesome grasshopper by the Kansas Experiment Station in 1919. A half million lemons and 183 carloads of white arsenic were used in preparing the exterminating mixture applied. The work is to be extended over the whole state in 1920.

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Supreme Court **Decisions**

Telegraf Company Liable for Negligence.-A telegraf company, which requires messages to be sent on prepared blanks, cannot restrict its lity for negligence by a provision on the of the blanks that it shall not be liable for liability for mistakes unless the message is repeated and in-sured, etc., for to allow a telegraf company to so exonerate itself for its own negligence would be contrary to public policy.—Bowman & Bull Co. v. Postal Tel. Cable Co. Supreme Court of Illinois. 124 N. E. 851.

Claims Between Carriers.-Where two railroads settled their own debt for a loss sustained by a shipper on account of a car being delivered without surrender of the bill of lading, a liability on which the roads were primarily obligated, one of them is not entitled to subrogation against the consignee of the car, subrogation being allowed only in favor of one who under some compulsion, legal or moral, pays another's debt, not in favor of him who pays his own debt.—St. Louis & S. F. Ry. Co. v. Excello Feed Milling Co. Kansas City Court of Appeals, Missouri. 215 S. W. 755.

Contract with Carrier Affected by Government Control.—Where a shipper and a railroad were operating under a contract when the government took over the railroads as a war measure, and the government disregarded the contract and increased the rates, a chancery court cannot decree specific performance of the contract against the railroad, because the interposition of the sovereign governmental power rendered the contract unenforceable, and it will remain unencontract unenforceable, and it will trained forceable so long as such interposition is maintained by vis major.—Kneeland-Bigelow Co. v. M. C. B. Co. Supreme Court of Michigan, 174 Co. Supreme Court of Michigan.

Liability of Telegraf Co .- The receiver of a telegram in the absence of an agreement by him to that effect is not bound by a contract between the sender and the company, and his failure to present his claim within 60 days as required by the regulations of the company is not a defense. The receiver of a telegram not being bound by the contract between the sender and the company, in the absence of an agreement, is not bound by a contract provision limiting the company's liability to the amount of the fee received for the sending of the message.—W. U. Tel. Co. v. Hanlin. Appellate Court of Indiana. 125 N. E. 45.

Warehouse Receipts .- Validity of receipt No. 99 issued by a warehouseman held not affected by the fact that it was not the ninety-ninth receipt in fact issued by such warehouseman, or even the ninety-ninth receipt issued in the particular year, the Warehouse Receipts Act though requiring a consecutive numbering of though requiring a consecutive numbering of receipts, not requiring consecutive numbering in the order of their issue, or that no two receipts bearing the same numbering be issued from the same warehouse in the same year, the requirement of former Act No. 156 of 1888.—Smith Bros. Co. v. Richheimer & Co. Supreme Court of Louisiana. 83 South. 255.

Damages on Destination Value.-Under Interstate Commerce Act, § 20, as amended by Cummins Act, § 1 (Comp. St. § 8604a), providing that an interstate carrier of property shall issue a B/L therefor and be liable for any loss or damage to the property caused by it or any other carier when carried under a thru B/L. and that no contract limiting such liability shall be valid, a provision of such B/L fixing the carrier's liability at the value of the property the place and time of shipment is a limitation, and is invalid, and not enforceable.—C., M. & St. P. Ry. Co. v. McCaull-Dinsmore Co., U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals. 260 Fed. 835.

Fire Set by Locomotive.-Where a railroad company permits combustible material to ac-cumulate on its right of way in violation of Rev. Codes, § 4310, and fire escaping from its locomotive is communicated to adjacent property by reason of the presence of such material, the company is liable for damages, regardless of the degree of care exercised in equipping and operating the locomotive. The presence of combustible material on a railroad's right of way, and the communication of fire from a locomotive through the agency of such material to adjacent property, may be established by circumstantial evidence.—Pure Oil Co. v. C., M. & St. P. Ry. Co. Supreme Court of Montana. 185 Pac. 150.

Conversion of Stored Grain.-In an action to recover damages for the conversion of grain stored with the defendant, the defense was based upon claims by third parties, of which the bailee had notice, and the bailee relied upon a deposit in court of the value of the grain, less storage, fixed as of the date of the bringing of the action. It is held: Section 7594, Comof the action. It is held: Section 7594, Compiled Laws of 1913, concerning deposits in court where adverse claims are made to property, does not authorize a deposit of the money value of the property, after action brought, in discharge of a liability for conversion as of a prior date.—McLaughlin v. Dodge Elevator Co. Supreme Court of North Dakota. 174 N. W. 871.

Attachment of Proceeds of Draft.-In a shipment of goods, the consignor, who was indebted to a bank, indorsed the bill of lading and drew a draft in favor of the bank, to be applied on his indebtedness to it. The bank forwarded the B/L and draft to its correspondent, and the consignee paid the draft and obtained possession of the goods, but immediately attached the proceeds of the same in the hands of the corre spondent for a debt of the consignor. Held that the transfer of the draft and B/L transferred the title of the goods to the bank, and the consignee took them subject to the rights of the bank, and the proceeds of the shipment were not subject to attachment for a debt due to the consignee from the consignor.—Ranney-Davis Merc. Co. v. Bumgarner. Supreme Court of Supreme Court of Kansas. 185 Pac. 287.

Transaction on Margin.-Where a broker was employed by his customer to buy or sell on margin, actual transactions being contemplated, there was no violation of Rev. Laws, c. 99, §§ 4, 6, giving a customer right of action against the broker in such case, though as between the cus-tomer and the broker there would be no delivbut only a money settlement or accounting. Where a customer's action against his broker proceeded wholly on the theory that it was based on Rev. Laws, c. 99, § 4, invalidating transactions in stocks wherein an actual purtransactions in stocks wherein an actual purchase or sale is not contemplated, plaintiff customer cannot contend, on report to the Supreme Judicial Court after decision adverse to him, that he can recover at common law.—Zembler v. Fitzgerald. Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. 125 N. E. 299.

Delivery to Carrier.—Where a B/L provided that, when goods were received on private or other sidings, they should be at owner's risk until car was attached to a train and the car been loaded and sealed up and the carrier notified thereof, the carrier had a reasonable time thereafter to take charge of property before becoming liable for damages thereto by fire breaking out prior to its removal. Where a car of headings had been loaded and placed on a side track, but the B/L provided that de-livery should not be complete until the car had been attached to a train, and the car was burned by a fire breaking out in a neighboring yard, evidence held to make it jury question whether carrier in refusing to move the car when requested was guilty of negligence iiable for damages sustained.-Chickasaw Cooperage Co. v. Yazoo & M. V. R. R. Co. Supreme Court of Arkansas. 215 S. W. 897.

Validity of Transaction in Grain Futures.-In an action by grain brokers to recover advance-ments for a customer in the purchase of grain. wherein defendant customer pleaded that it not contemplated, either by the brokers or him self, that there should be any actual delivery of the grain, the customer is not precluded by his pleading from invoking the aid of Code Supp. , § 4975d, which furnishes a remedy against bucket shop proprietor, who does not in-i delivery, even though the customer does, the bucket snop project tend delivery, even though the customer dues, despite the fact that his pleading was predicated wholly on Code, § 4967, requiring an intention to bucket on the part both of broker and customer. In an action by grain brokers are resements for a customer in the and customer. In an action by grain brokers to recover advancements for a customer in the purchase of grain, wherein defendant customer relied on Code, § 4967, and Code Supp. 1913, § 4975d, as to trading on margins and bucketing, evidence that defendant had been a customer of the brokers for three years, and had bought large quantities of grain without any delivery, etc., held proper for consideration on the question of the intent of both parties or either.— Harper & Ward v. Kurtz. Supreme Court of Iowa. 175 N. W. 45.

Diversion After Expiration of Contract Time Not a Good Delivery.

Clement Grain Co., of Waco, Tex., plaintiff, Dawson Grain Co., of Omaha, Neb., defendan before Arbitration Com'ite No. 1 of the Grain Dealers National Ass'n, composed of C. I Sturtevant, Geo. P. Bissell and J. R. Mui

Sturtevant, Geo. P. Bissell and J. R. Mui rell, Jr.
Plaintiff brings these proceedings to recove damages amounting to \$129.65 occasioned by defendant's failure to ship in contract time our car of No. 3 white corn sold January 6, 1919, 2; \$1.73 Group One Texas for prompt shipment.
The contract expired Jan. 16. Car Sou. 3565 was shipped Jan. 14 by defendant from Omah to Parker Corn Co., Kansas City, and was diverted on Jan. 20 to plaintiff. Defendar claims that as the car was shipped from Omah Jan. 14 it filled its contract.

The arbitration com'ite of this Ass'n haw repeatedly held that diversion in transit after the contract has expired is not a good deliver (see case No. 409), (Peirson-Lathrop Grain Co Kansas City, v. Wallingford Bros., Wichitak and if plaintiff had refused to accept this ship ment and had allowed defendant's draft to go to protest, they would have been within theirights and defendant would have had no recourse.

The only question for us to decide is whether or not the payment by plaintiff of defendant.

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The only question for us to decide is whether or not the payment by plaintiff of defendant draft constituted an acceptance of the shipment on contract. We have held in a similar case (Goff & Carkener, Kansas City, v. Seley-Early Grain and Carkener, Kansas City, v. Seley-Early Grain Carkener, Carkener on contract. We have held in a similar case (Goff & Carkener, Kansas City, v. Seley-Early Grail Co., case No. 470) that payment of the drail without notice to shipper, constituted such a acceptance and that the receiver was estopped from collecting damages under such circumstances, because he thereby deprived the shipper of his right to make other, and possibly morr profitable disposition of his property. In that case receiver paid shipper's draft and wrothim that he had done so and was charging his account with an arbitrary discount.

In this case before the draft was paid the following telegrams passed: "Waco, Texas, Jam 23, 1919. Dawson Grain Co., Omaha, Nebn 35624 Southern not shipped according to contract but billed Kansas City and diverted four days after contract time. The diversion by you deprives us diversion privilege making it impossible to fill our contract. Will use the cast at encents per bushel reduction. Clement Grain Co."

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Grain Co."
"Omaha, Nebraska, Jan. 23, 1919. Clement Grain Co., Waco, Texas. 'Nothing in contract to prevent us diverting car, we will pay di-version charges, best can do.' Dawson Grain

version charges, best can do.' Dawson Grain Co."

"Waco, Texas, Jan. 23, 1919. Dawson Grain Co., Omaha, Nebr. 'We contend car not shipp according contract. Will honor your draft fill a claim thru National Ass'n for full market difference.' Clement Grain Co."

If defendant had not been satisfied with the discount it could have taken possession of the corn and disposed of it as it saw fit. Plaint so conducted itself that defendant was deprive of none of its rights.

We find therefore that defendant is liable for damages for failure to ship the corn in contract time.

damages for failure to ship the corn in contract time.

Plaintiff's claim is based upon the difference between the price of No. 3 white corn in Omaha on the date of sale (Jan. 6, 1919) and the date the draft was presented for payment in Forworth (Jan. 23, 1919), or 11 cents a bushel on 1,178.32 bus., amounting to \$129.65. In the telegram quoted above, it agreed to accept the corn at 10 cents a bushel discount, which case the damages would have amounted to \$117.86. In default of any arrangement to the contract the correct measure of damages would be the difference between the contract price (173 Group One) and what the plaintiff could have sold the corn for in Fort Worth on Jan. 23. No evidence is offered as to the value of the corn in Fort Worth, but we are advised that damages on this basis would be something in excess of the amount claimed. amount claimed.

amount claimed.

In view of all the circumstances in this case, we believe that plaintiff should be bound by its telegraph offer or settlement at 10 cents discount. This message was the notice to defendant upon which we base recovery, and in the absence of any proof from plaintiff of additional loss, over and above this amount, we believe this completely reimburses it. We find for plaintiff in the sum of \$117.86, and direct that defendant pay this amount and the costs of these proceedings.

Russian black sea ports have been given permission to export 4,500,000 bus. of feed barley. How this grain is to be moved is not known

E. W. Tallman, of Philadelphia, was unanimously elected to the presidency of the Ass'n of Manufacturers' Representatives. The ass'n has as members virtually all of the sales executives and brokers operating in the tri-state market for the manufacturers of grocery products.

Grain Carriers

SWEDEN is losing money by operating rail-The loss in state railways in 1919 was 2.000.000.

THE EMBARGO on the movement of grain oru gulf ports in effect since last August was unceled, effective Jan. 20.

COMPLAINTS of the Inland Empire Shippers eague against the rates on grain from the pokane district to Portland and Vancouver as been dismissed by the Interstate Commerce ommission as unjustified.

IN November 95 per cent of the revenue of te roads was eaten up by operating expenses, xes, and rents, so the bureau of railway ews and statistics announces, while the net turns fell about \$64,000,000 short of meet-g the government's guaranty. The deficit as in the face of the largest gross earnings or the month in the history of American ulroads, except for November, 1918, and less ian \$3,000,000 short of that record mark.

INVESTIGATION by the Interstate Commerce ommission of the railroad warehouse facili-es at ports on the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf pasts to ascertain if they are ample to han-e grain shipments, would be ordered by a Il introduced by Representative Anderson of innesota. Western farmers, Representative nderson explained, have complained that eight cars are being used for storage puroses, resulting in congestion and shortage of irs. The Interstate Commerce Commission, nder the bill, would be given power to order cessary enlargement of seaport elevator icilities.

SEVENTY per cent of all cars supplied terminal markets for grain loading must be turned over to the Grain Corporation for wheat shipments by order of the Railroad Administra-

None of the eastern roads are taking freight from western connections at Chicago on account of the embargo by the eastern roads not carrying freight east of Buffalo. Permits must be secured or permission granted by the freight traffic com'ite for the further shipment of goods to be exported.

Senator Miles Poindexter in an address Jan. 20 at Providence said the "anti-strike" clause in the Cummins railroad bill, now in conference between the houses of congress, is the first substantial move made "to solve a problem which has in it the germs of civil war and revolution." "If it is not solved by law, it will be solved in blood and, perhaps, in the destruction of our institutions. It involves the question whether industrial disputes, where employer and employe cannot agree, are to be adjusted by the orderly processes of government or by force, terror, and intimida-

THE UNITED STATES RAILROAD ADMINISTRA-TION has granted the privilege of a second stop, after oats have been stored for clipping, at 3c per cwt. additional freight, all other provisions of the transit rules to apply. is only in addition, effective Dec. 31 and expiring May 31, 1920. This was done in order to help improve the condition by clipping or cleaning the oats which might have been shipped from one point to a storage point where there is no clipper or cleaner, and to permit such oats to be shipped to a point where there is a cleaner or clipper, to improve the quality and grade of the oats for feeding purposes.

Russian Grain Exports.

Goods from England are pouring into the open ports of South Russia and, so far, there is hardly anything to be exchanged for them. Government officials persist in putting obstacles in the way of shippers' permits to export even such redundant articles as furs,

bristles, skins, wood and tobacco.
Grain export is not generally permitted, tho a part cargo of Maize, some 2,000 tons, has gone to Marseilles. Now there is a kind of conditional permission given for the export of about 450,000 quarters of feeding barley—from Odessa, Skadousk, Kherson and Nicolaieff. Deliberations are now taking place as to whom the privilege of shipping the grain will be accorded. Big Russian Co-operative Societies, or trading combines of recent growth

seem likely to obtain special permits.

The agent of the British C.W.S. is expecting to ship soon 3,000 tons of wheat to Hull. Shipments from Crimean Coast places or from river ports in other parts of Russia will be more readily made than from such places as Novorossisk, which depend upon railway communication with the hinterland. Our correspondent confirms his previous advice concerning the grain crops of South Russia, last summer's harvest was a fine one, but it cannot be moved at present owing to the bad state of the rolling stock. By the spring at least some moderate amount should be moved, and if spring sowings are successfully made and get a fair start, quite a large quantity of grain may be exported. The price of grain quoted in roubles is rapidly rising, and even, also, in sterling, altho only slowly, but local prices are only about %rds of what could be paid by exporters.—Corn Trade News.

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1,328,770. Car Mover. Frank F. Sterner, Harnedsville, Pa. This car mover includes a yoke with two arms that are circular so that they will bite into the ties of the track. The lever to this device comes in contact with the rear sill of the car. Bolts hold the arms in place after they come in contact with the ties. The lever arm attached to the lever acts as a pivot when force is applied.

1,328,690. Sack Holder. Albert Louis Renfro, Bakersfield, Cal. This apparatus consists of a rectangular frame to be secured to a discharge spout. There is a yoke which consists of a body spout. There is a yoke which consists of a body and arms which extend laterally from the body. The arms slide in connection with the side members of the frame. The body of the yoke supports hooks as does that part of the frame on the opposite side. There is a means on the yoke arms that limit the movement of the yoke body away from the frame.

1,327,863. Grain Drier. Herbert C. Ellis, Evanston, Ill., assignor to Ellis Drier & Elevator Co., Chicago. This is a drying apparatus for use with a stationary receptacle or trough. It consists of a round, rotating head which is made up of a hub and spokes or arms which hold an annular portion. These parts have supply and outlet ducts so that a circulation of the heating fluid can be kept up thru a connection in two opposite, moving pivots on the hub. These pivots connect with supply and outlet connections in the hub.

1,328,642. Dust Separator. Charles A. Xardell, Utica, N. Y. This is a dust collector consisting of upper and lower removable casing parts. The upper part can be placed in any position. The lower portion has an intake tube which extends up into the upper part. On the top of this tube is a cone that is cut off. Over this cone is another cone made with outlets for the escape of air. The space between these two cones provides a dust separating chamber, which will hold dust (contained in the air) on its journey up the tube and out thru the outits journey up the tube and out thru the outlets in the upper cone.

Ventilated Grain-Storehouse. Liz-gelman, Forest, O. This is a ven-1.328.132. zie H. Dickelman, Forest. O. This is a ven-tilated grain store house having a central per-

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At the bottom of this store forated air shaft. forated air shaft. At the bottom of this store house are lateral perforated air tubes extending to the central air shaft. The central and extension tubes are secured to the base. The roof is secured to the central air shaft. At the junction of the walls and roof are a number of auxiliary air conduits, each communicating with the outer air at one end and the interior of the grain house between the wall and center shaft on the other. On the end of the auxiliary shaft on the other. On the end of the auxiliary tube there is a removable, perforated thimble which removes the warm and damp air that has been drawn in thru the perforated central and lateral tubes.

1,328,214. Steel Grain Car Door. George Townill and Peter Townill, Plainfield, Ill. This is a steel door in two horizontal sections. Each section is to be moved in different directions. One section fits into the other. For the upper section one side of the door has a flanged runsection one side of the door has a flanged run-way. There is a flanged abutment at the other side of the door as a stop for the upper sec-tion. After the upper section has been opened, the lower door opens by moving away from a flanged stop on a flanged runway. The flanges keep the sections fitting in each other. Riveted to the lower edge of the upper section is a strip of steel. When the upper section is a strip of steel. When the upper section of the door is closed the lower section of the door will be under a joint closure. This closure will pre-vent fine materials and grain from passing be-tween the sections.

Lessons of Recent Dust Explosions.

David J. Price, in charge of grain dust explosion prevention work of the U. S. Grain Corporation, recently delivered an address before the Railway Fire Protection Ass'n, from which the following is taken:

The two most recent explosions in grain elevators have shown very definitely that a plant constructed of fire resistive materials is not explosion proof. It raises this question: Is the tendency in a socalled fireproof plant inclined to create a feeling that the immunity from fire removes all possible plant danger? It is fully understood that dust explosions cannot propagate unless there is dust present in the plant to feed the flame. This would require constant vigilance for dust removal.

If a fireproof plant is not maintained in good condition and the dust is allowed to accumulate, the damage to the plant will probably be more extensive than would be the case in a poorly constructed frame elevator. Experience has proven this to be true and extensive damage has been caused to plants so constructed. This matter cannot be emphasized too strongly at this time in order to bring to the attention of our constructing engineers the necessity of consideration being given to dust explosion prevention. It is felt that both the workmen and the officials are inclined to believe that the construction of the plant removes all possible danger. The dust explosion hazard cannot be eliminated unless the dust is removed.

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It is difficult to consider the prevention of dust explosions unless direct attention is given to dust removal. The engineers engaged on this work have been inclined to feel that provision should be made in all grain elevators to apply suction systems at points where grain is handled. At the present time this matter cannot be too strongly urged owing to existing regulations requiring that no loss of weight occur in the handling of grain shipments in the elevators. The regulations require that the weight of the grain going to the receiver be maintained as near as possible to that received from the shipper. This involves the handling of the dust which is explosive material over and over again. If we were dealing with dynamite or gasoline in the grain it is quite likely that we might more seriously consider this matter.

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more seriously consider this matter.

The protection of life and property and also the improvement of working conditions as they relate to the health of the men in the plants will at some time require that this matter be definitely a titled. If the dust can be removed by suction at the various points where it is thrown or handled it will be prevented from escaping or settling throughout the plant. If the dust is not allowed to accumulate on ledges, overhead girders, beams, etc., the explosion might be confined and limited to small proportions. The investigations indicate that in very few cases single explosions occur. In most instances the secondary explosion, which follows the smaller or primary one, is of very large proportion, which is due to the ignition of the dust which has settled throughout the plant. It is just a little difficult at the present time to advocate dust removal when regulations such as the ones referred to exist throut the country.

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The Federal Government has been giving considerable time to the matter of dust removal in the field in grain threshing machines. This phase of the problem has been attacked in constant of the country.

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nection with the smut dust explosions in grain separators in the Pacific Northwest. The plan for the work provided for continued investigations in the field at the threshing machines an also at the country elevators. If the inflam mable material can be taken out at points when it is handled it will mean that the quantity will not be nearly as large when it reaches the terminal elevator. The development of these plan will require considerable experimental work, by it is very evident that they must be given considerable attention in connection with dust explosion prevention. plosion prevention.

Insurance Notes.

STATE MONOPOLY of casualty insurance was opposed in a resolution adopted Jan. 20 by the Nebraska Millers Ass'n at Omaha.

THE TEXAS State Fire Commissioner ha announced that "Policies covering mixed feed chops, bran and by-products of grain, bear and peas when sorted in elevators or ward houses occupied exclusively by such, are the written subject to the provisions of the subject to policies covering hay."

ALBERT SWANSON, millwright earning \$42 week, had his hand crushed while employed by the Updike Grain Co. and was awarde \$12 weekly for 30 weeks. He appealed from ruling of the Nebraska compensation board and has been granted a reversal by the Supreme Court of Nebraska on the ground that a permanent partial loss of the use of h hand entitled him to the same weekly con-pensation for a longer period, 75 weeks.

IN MILLERS' MUTUAL CASUALTY Co. v. Louise E. Hoover the Court of Civil Appeals Texas on Dec. 6 denied a rehearing on the judgment against the company for \$5,400, parable at the rate of \$15 a week to the with and two children of Guy Frank Hoover, when the state of \$15 a week to the with and two children of Guy Frank Hoover, when the state of \$15 a week to the with and two children of Guy Frank Hoover, when the state of \$15 a week to the with and two children of \$15 a week to the with and two children of \$15 a week to the with and two children of \$15 a week to the with a week to the week to th and two children of Guy Frank Hoover, with was killed by accident while at work in the plant of the G. B. R. Smith Milling Co. Sherman, Tex., as superintendent and heat miller, at a salary of \$165 per month. The casualty company alleged it was not liable under the act and its policy because Hoove was a director of the company and the state. was a director of the company and the status provides that directors shall not be deeme to be employes. The court held that "if directors as matter of fact, are so otherwise employed, and the employment is such as bring them within the definition of "employed" contained in the act, and while so engage are injured, they are, in our opinion, entitle to the benefits of the act. What employes servants are included in the definition, what particular test is to be applied to determine that issue, will depend largely upon that facts of each case."

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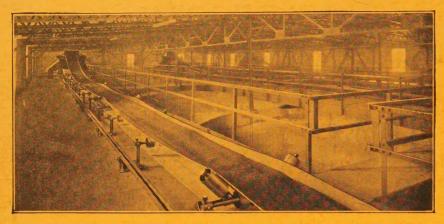


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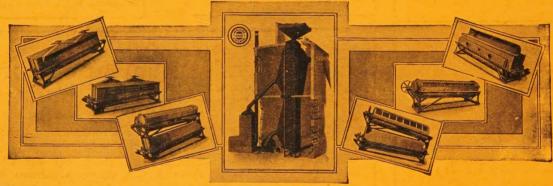
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